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## Weather

Local—Increasing cloudiness and warmer; normal temperature Friday and Saturday. Fresh easterly winds. Eastern New York—Fair, with slowly rising temperatures. New Jersey—Fair, not quite so cold.

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## Communist Election Heads Map Final Campaign Steps

### ELECTION DRIVE DECIDING U.S. FUTURE, SAYS BROWDER

Following is the text of the remarks of Earl Browder at the conclusion of the meeting of the National Election Campaign Committee of the Communist Party yesterday where the final activities of the Party's campaign were mapped:

I don't think you need any speech from me this afternoon, and as talking very long would interfere with our work, I will make it very short.

There is only one point I want to make. I think our basic task today is to make the Party understand, and through the Party, to make the masses understand that the battle we are going through in this election campaign is one that is deciding the whole future of America, and America is a very important part of the world; and further, that we are not merely the victims of persecution in the United States. Persecution of the Communist Party is one of the smallest phases of this time. The reason for this persecution is that our Party is exerting a major influence in deciding the outcome of events. And when you compare the size of our Party and the issues and the population involved, we can feel confident that we are exerting per unit one thousand times more influence than anybody else in the United States.

The maximum of our direct forces are 100,000. That is a bit of exaggeration on my part, and yet it is no exaggeration to say that it is the work of our Party that is responsible for the fact that the United States is not in the war now. The plans of the American bourgeoisie were to put the country in the middle of this war before the election campaign was well on the way. They could not do it. The reason why they could not do it was because the sentiment of the masses was against them, and the masses were not entirely helpless because our Party was there.

The plans of the bourgeoisie were that questions of war and peace, foreign policy, were not to be involved in this campaign. They failed in that. It is the work of our Party that brought those plans to failure. It is the work of our Party which has forced the pretense at least of a discussion on foreign policy and the drawing of distinctions on foreign policy between the two major parties. And on the question of slowing down the militarization of America and of holding up the drive against civil rights, against labor legislation—here, I think, it is apparent that the fight that our Party put up has been the spearhead of the whole struggle of the masses; that without our Party we would have already had before now pretty much of a blackout of civil and labor rights in the United States.

If we have been able to accomplish these things—and I think it is unquestionable that we have—if we can transmit an understanding of these accomplishments, we can double and triple the strength of the fight in this last period in the election campaign. And that is our task: that there shall be no let-down at the end but an acceleration of the whole struggle up to Election Day.

Back of the victories that we have registered—and they are important victories; the smallest of them are symptomatic of the biggest ones that we don't always see; we can see the smaller ones easier than the biggest—back of all this is an unparalleled situation favorable to our work. We never had such a favorable situation. It is a situation in which the whole country is being jolted into understanding that they are being taken into war and disaster. Those who didn't understand it before, will understand it today. They got a real jolt when the boys lined up to register. The whole meaning of conscription wasn't felt until today. The results of that realization are beginning to unfold from today on. The whole country is beginning to feel that the Republican and Democratic Parties alike are responsible for this path that they don't want to go on. The whole country is realizing that there is only one voice that has raised any clear and definite alternative and that is the Communist Party. In such a situation as this, tremendous things can happen. They can happen if our Party is on the job, if our Party gives the masses the opportunity to get busy.

The masses are more and more ready to respond to us, and if we work correctly in the next three weeks, later, in November, we may laugh at our timid estimates of our Communist votes for 1940.

### Browder Sees Prospect of Biggest Vote in Party's History

By George Morris

Earl Browder yesterday told members of the Communist National Election Campaign Committee that the Party's stand against war is receiving such great response from the people that the vote for the Party on Nov. 5 may surpass the highest estimates.

Browder made this observation in his remarks concluding an all-day conference of members of the National Election Campaign Committee of the Communist Party and the heads of the eastern Communist state organizations, at 35 East 12th St., at which a whirlwind finish was mapped for the last lap of the drive.

"In such a situation as this, tremendous things can happen," said Browder. "They can happen if our Party is on the job, if our Party gives the masses the opportunity to get busy."

"The masses are more and more ready to respond to us and if we work correctly in the next three weeks, later, in November, we may laugh at our timid estimates of our Communist vote for 1940."

### DECIDING THE FUTURE

Stressing that the battle in the election campaign is one of "deciding the whole future of America," Browder said that the reason for the persecution of the Communist Party is that it is "exerting a major influence in deciding the outcome of these events."

Stressing the great strength the Communist Party wields, Browder said that "we can feel confident that we are exerting per unit one thousand times more influence than anybody else in the United States."

A discussion and reports from all the states followed at the conference after Roy Hudson, member of the Party's National Committee, and Alexander Trachtenberg, national director of the campaign committee, reported.

"We are entering the last lap of the campaign," said Hudson, in opening the conference, "with a conviction that none of the other parties can have; that while we are a minority party we are exerting a growing influence in this election."

### THE PEOPLE'S INSTRUMENT

Reviewing the difficulties the Party has met everywhere in its fight to get on the ballot, Hudson said, "We have been meeting this attack." He stressed that the Party has an opportunity of rolling up a large vote because it is the only instrument through which people can express opposition to the policies of Roosevelt and Wilkie.

In putting the coming tasks before the conference, Trachtenberg reported that despite the unprecedented campaign of intimidation and necessity of fighting every inch of the way in every state, the Communist Party is now on the ballot in 25 states. Among those are 11 of 14 major states where the bulk of the Party's strength was registered in the past, he said.

The fact that the Party was ruled off the ballot in 12 states where it formerly had a place, puts a double job on the Communists of the 25 states where it is on the ballot, Trachtenberg said, "to register a big vote and a still bigger vote to make up."

He suggested, that in states where the Party held its place on the ballot, the Communists should "adopt" the votes disfranchised in neighboring states, and register them with a stronger showing.

### WRITE-IN CAMPAIGNS

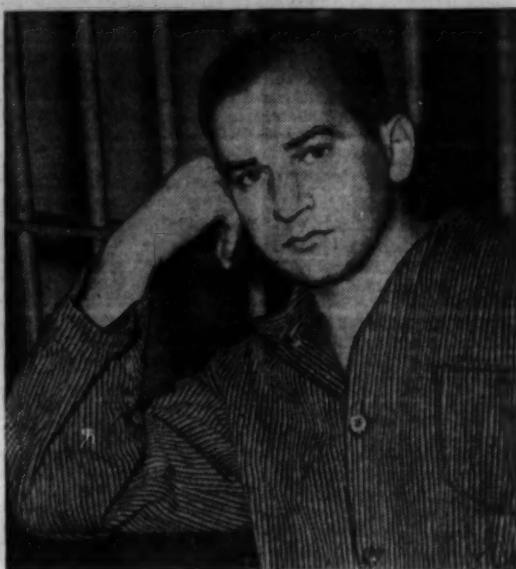
At the same time, he announced that arrangements are being made to carry through the most extensive write-in campaign ever conducted in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and the other areas where the Party was ruled off, so that every possible vote should register.

Trachtenberg stressed that the campaign is no longer within the confines of the Communist Party. The issue of the Party's right to an equal opportunity in the election, and of civil rights, now holds the interest of a far wider mass of people who consider that a strong showing by the Communist Party would be a powerful repudiation of the enemies of civil liberties.

He noted that between 250,000 and 300,000 citizens in the United States gave their names to petitions to place the Communist Party on the ballot.

"Those people suffered untold dis-

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### Sentenced to Ten Years:

Robert Wood, Oklahoma Secretary of the Communist Party, behind bars in Oklahoma City jail after conviction under a World War criminal syndicalism law. Mr. Wood, who was also fined \$5,000, is the first of 12 persons to undergo trial after a series of storm troop raids in Oklahoma City. The International Labor Defense, 112 East 19th Street, has launched a nationwide campaign for defense of the Oklahoma cases and urges that funds be contributed to appeal the Wood case and conduct the defense of the other victims.

### C.P. Certified On Ballot in New York State

### Notice Is Forwarded to City Election Board by Secretary of State

The New York City Board of Elections received notice yesterday that the State Secretary of New York at Albany has certified the 47 Communist Presidential electors, according to advice received from the New York State Election Campaign Committee, Communist Party.

Certification of the Communist Presidential electors followed the recent filing by the Communist State election campaign committee of nominating petitions, signed by thousands of New York State citizens, for placing Earl Browder and James W. Ford, Communist candidates for President and Vice-President, on the ballot for the November 5 elections.

### N. Y. CANDIDATES CERTIFIED

At the same time the Secretary of State also certified the Communist statewide candidates, Israel Amter, U. S. Senatorial candidate; Frank Herron and Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, candidates for Representatives-at-Large.

More than 43,000 signatures, nearly four times the legally required number, were filed for the Communist national and statewide candidates.

### Vichy Decree Bars Women From Many Jobs

VICHY, Oct. 16 (UP).—A female labor law called for the immediate dismissal of all women not dependent on their earnings and who do not have children, according to an announcement today by Rene Belin, Minister of Labor. Women working as state employees in any government bureau who have passed the age of 50 will be retired with a four-year salary bonus. Married women with three or more children were exempt from dismissal from any job.

### To 'Classify' Millions Who Registered

### City Voters Showed Deep Sentiment for Peace While Registering

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (UP).—The men who registered for selective service today ultimately will be classified into one of four groups (divided into 13 sub-groups) determining their eligibility for military training and service. They are:

- Class I—Men available for training.
- Class I-A: Available; fit for general military service.
- Class I-B: Available; fit only for limited military service.
- Class I-C: Men who join the land or naval forces after registration.
- Class I-D: College student fit for general military service; available not later than July 1, 1941.
- Class I-E: College student fit only for limited military service; available not later than July 1, 1941.
- Class II—Deferred.
- Class II-A: M.A.N. necessary in his civilian activity.
- Class II-B: M.A.N. with dependents.
- Class IV—Deferred.
- Class IV-A: Man who has completed service.
- Class IV-B: Official deferred by law.
- Class IV-C: Non-declarant alien.
- Class IV-D: Minister of religion or divinity student.
- Class IV-E: Conscientious objector available only for civilian work of national importance.
- Class IV-F: Physically, mentally or morally unfit.

EXPECT TO COMPLETE REGISTRATION HERE

It was expected late last night that most of the 1,107,000 New Yorkers from 21 to 36 who come under the Draft Act would have completed their first, peace-time conscription registration.

By noon, more than half (548,000) had registered.

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## Protection of Conscripts Urged by Peace Body In 8-Point Program

### London Bombed 40th Time; Raid Liverpool

### RAF Reports Blasting 40 Nazi 'Nerve Centers'; German Supply Ships Claimed Sunk By British in Attacks

LONDON, Oct. 16 (UP).—Swooping low under cover of a solid blanket of clouds to taunt roaring defense guns, German raiders bombed London again tonight, the 40th time of the worst siege a big city ever has taken.

The scream and thud of bombs resounded through the capital within a few minutes of the arrival of the bombers. Shielded by the solid layer of clouds over the whole city, they came earlier than usual and lost no time in beginning the attack.

Coinciding with the renewal of the London bombardment, reports began streaming in of enemy planes over scattered parts of the country such as Liverpool, two towns in southeast England and one in the northwest.

While the RAF's heavy bombers were driving through the new "front line" of the Luftwaffe's defense planes off the Dutch coast to heap tons of bombs upon the Nazi naval bases of Kiel and Hamburg, British warships were laying siege to "invasion bases" on the channel coast.

The Admiralty said in a communique that the warships have swept across the channel and laid down a heavy bombardment of the French port of Dunkerque.

Previously the British Home Fleet had joined in the RAF's attack.

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### Louis Companys Is Executed in Franco Spain

Louis Companys, former President of the Catalonian Republic of Spain, has been executed in prison after being sentenced to death by a military tribunal, the German wireless reported last night in a dispatch from Barcelona.

Companys played a major role on the Republican (Loyalist) side during the Spanish civil war and later fled to France.

It was reported recently from France that, after the French capitulation to Germany, Companys was handed over to the Spanish Fascist authorities.

### Emphasis Is on Full Civil and Economic Rights of Draftees

### HITS BOSS CONTROL

### Dr. Thompson Says Character of Boards Calls for Safeguards

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—As 16,000,000 young men registered today for the first peace-time draft in American history, the American Peace Mobilization proposed an eight-point program to protect the civil and economic rights of conscripts and their families.

The National Council of APM called on its local community peace councils to set up "people's rights committee" in every section of the country in order to campaign for the program.

Rev. John B. Thompson, chairman of the APM, declared that "if there was any doubt before the naming of the draft boards as to the extent to which they are democratically representative, it has now been thoroughly dispelled."

"It therefore becomes our most immediate and important task to take steps to safeguard the full rights of the people against any undue infringement under these boards," he added.

### 8-POINT PROGRAM

Highlights of the program which APM will carry through at the time that it fights for repeal of conscription include the following:

1. Guarding against discriminatory conscription aimed at labor, peace and progressive organizations.
2. Fighting increases in prices and rent, and general wartime profiteering.
3. Protecting rights of conscripts to vote, campaign on political issues. Participate in trade unions, receive uncensored mail.
4. Fighting Jim-Crowism in conscripted and regular armed forces; protesting segregation of Negroes in separate regiments, discriminatory assignments to menial tasks, etc.
5. Seeing that conscripts have adequate housing, health protection and thorough rights (one week every three months).
6. Preventing evictions, foreclosures on installment buying, etc.
7. Working to guarantee unconditional replacement of conscripts, not dependent, as now on "prevailing conditions."
8. Campaigning for increase in conscript pay to \$40 a month, continuation of social security rights; adequate compensation for disability, injury or death.

Rev. Thompson pointed to the overwhelming predominance of business men and representatives of industry on the local draft boards

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## CIO Says Gov't Shields Violators of Labor Act

### Charges Government Has Had Authority All Along to Crack Down, But Is Resorting to Double-cross Legal Smokescreen

By Adam Lapin

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—While government officials continue to pass the buck back and forth, the whole sordid story of the Administration's role in granting contracts to Wagner Act violators is slowly leaking out.

A ruling by the Comptroller General has now made it plain that the Administration has had the legal authority all along to crack down and withhold contracts from the powerful corporate law-breakers.

CIO officials held that the Comptroller General's ruling showed two things:

First, that the CIO contention that the Government could have barred firms which violate labor laws from getting contracts any time it wanted to was completely justified.

Second, that Wagner Act violators can be denied contracts entered into by competitive bidding as

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## British-Hitler Deal in a Revived Munich Is Hinted at by Herald Tribune Correspondent

By direct telephone from Bucharest, the Rumanian correspondent of the New York Herald Tribune informed his paper yesterday of the "possibility" of a British-German "peace" to revive the Munich plan of an anti-Soviet war.

That the dominant circles of the British government have not ceased for a moment to cherish this plan is reported by Mr. Russell Hill in the Herald Tribune as follows:

"While few facts and many rumors come from the frontier zone, the extent of German-Rumanian military preparations on this side of the Soviet border has suggested to many persons here the possibility that Great Britain and Germany might make a peace which would leave Adolf Hitler a free hand in the East."

"It will be remembered that early in 1939 British foreign policy favored allowing Germany to expand toward the East, in the hope that this would eventually bring the Reich into collision with the Soviet Union. Many observers are now asking whether, under present conditions, Britain might not be willing to agree to German domination in Poland and southeastern Europe."

"On the other side, Hitler has often said he did not want to dismember the British Empire, and merely wanted to be left alone in what he considers his 'Lebensraum' (living space), presumably eastern and southeastern Europe. But even if talk of peace is still premature, the chances of German-Soviet conflict are not eliminated."

That this report should arise at this moment when both British and American ruling circles have allowed newspaper reports of a "friendlier" attitude to the Soviet Union to make their appearance indicates something of the political intrigue beneath the surface.

It will be recalled that in 1938, the British government developed a phony series of "negotiations" with the Soviet Union to conceal from the English people their underhanded negotiations with Hitler to launch an anti-Soviet attack. Observers here cannot but wonder if the report of the Herald Tribune's correspondent does not hint at the renewal of similar conspiracies in the British and Washington ruling circles.

For the plan to strike a bargain with Hitler

on the basis of an anti-Soviet war has always been a dominant trend not only in British, but in Washington and Wall Street circles as well. It is only a few days ago, that the owner of the Scripps-Howard press, Roy Howard, urged in a series of articles that an understanding can be reached with Japan, for example, on the basis of just such an anti-Soviet, anti-Chinese, Munich in the Far East as Chamberlain engineered in Europe.

Amid the horrors of mass murder which the people are called upon to accept as part of the war "against Hitlerism," the ruling circles of London and Wall Street still seek to drive mankind into the deeper horrors of a vast imperialist crusade against the Soviet Union.

This reveals not only the mockery of these imperialist "anti-fascists" who now shed the people's blood in their inner "family quarrel" over colonial empire; it reveals how sharply vigilant must the American people be against these intrigues which are masked from their view by the pretences of "defense."

## CIO Union Wins 6-Day Strike At Big New Jersey Cork Plant

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MILLVILLE, N. J., Oct. 16.—The CIO scored a smashing victory over the Armstrong Cork Co. headed by H. W. Prentice, who is also president of the National Association of Manufacturers when the Federation of Glass, Ceramics, and Silica Sand Workers of America waged a successful six-day strike against the attempt by the company to cut wages and replace men with women employees.

Under the leadership of Samuel

Macri, CIO field representative, and Edward Kanatzer, field representative for the Federation of Glass, and Silica Sand Workers, an agreement was signed concluding the six-day strike of 900 men which guaranteed maintenance of wage rates and job security against any replacement of men.

The Independent Union of Packers and Sorters No. 1, in existence for 47 years became affiliated to the CIO through the efforts of W. J. Carney, CIO Regional Director.

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# Chinese Begin Counter-Offensive After Capture of Matang

## Rome Claims Sinking of British Sub

Further Gains in Drive Into Egypt Reported; Libyan Base Bombed

ROME, Oct. 16 (UP).—The sinking of a British sea-going submarine with its crew of 50 after a violent shelling duel with the Italian submarine *Erroto Toti* in the central Mediterranean was reported today by the Fascist high command.

Strong British air attacks in an effort to stall Marshal Rodolfo Graziani's drive across Egypt toward Alexandria and the Suez Canal also were described.

Virginio Gayda, authoritative editor of the *Giornale d'Italia*, reported that Graziani's forces had driven 19 miles eastward from Sidi Barrani to Bur Alem Talut and that "a new thrust is being prepared."

The reported sinking of the British submarine Tuesday night after the gun duel in the Mediterranean brought to 18 the number of British undersea craft which the Italians claim to have sent to the bottom in four months of warfare.

The shelled and finally torpedoed British submarine was identified by the Italian high command as one of the 1,475-ton *Perseus* class, carrying a crew of 50 and armed with one four-inch gun, two small guns and eight torpedo tubes.

### BOMB IN WAVES

Another heavy night bombing attack on Italy's great Libyan base and port of Benghazi by "several waves" of British planes was admitted in today's communiqué. The attack caused "considerable damage" to dwellings and sank a motorship in the port, it was said.

The British also attacked Bardia, Sollum, Derna and Bir Sofafi southwest of Sidi Barrani from the air, causing one dead and five wounded, the communiqué reported.

In East Africa, the RAF hurried bombing assaults against Ras Tafari near Massawa, Dire Dawa and Argissa but "without causing either victims or damages."

One British plane was said to have been shot down in the east African aerial attacks.

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and the complete "freezing out" of workers and labor representatives. He declared that the pro-employer character of the local boards made the rapid setting up of the proposed people's rights committees "of the most immediate importance."

Many trade unions, Rev. Thompson pointed out, are already setting up committees to protect members against discriminatory drafting, to strengthen "return to job" provisions, and to maintain contact with members while in training.

"It should be the function of our local committees," he said, "to cooperate to the utmost with these trade union committees, and at the same time to carry on broader activities to guard the general well-being of all conscripts and their families and dependents. "Our work for the maintenance of peace and democracy in America," Rev. Thompson said, "must now be carried on two main fronts; first, to follow this program, and amplify it as the needs demand in order to save our civil and economic rights; and second, to work steadfastly for the repeal of conscription, under which our liberties and social gains are threatened."

## Siam Newspaper Calls For War on Indo-China

RANGKOK, Thailand (Siam), Oct. 16 (UP).—The Thai *Rasdi* Daily News, important Siam newspaper, advocated today an immediate declaration of war on French Indo-China because of refusal of the French government to cede important Indo-China territories to Thailand.

## Soviet - Finn Frontier Survey Is Under Way

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Oct. 16.—A mixed Soviet-Finnish frontier commission is well along in the work of establishing the new boundaries between the two countries on the basis of the peace treaty of March 12, 1940, it is announced here today.

Not only the general peace treaty, but also the protocol of April 29,

## Potatoes to Be Rationed In Paris, Berlin Announces

PARIS, Oct. 16 (UP) (Via Berlin).—Potatoes are to be rationed in the Paris area, it was announced today.

Use of elevators has been restricted sharply and newspapers predict that purchase of electric bulbs would be restricted soon.

## Bomb Terror Touches Every London Family

Few Are Left Now Who Haven't Been Personally Affected by German Raids; City Not 'in Ruins' But Is Badly Scarred

LONDON, Oct. 16 (UP).—Hardly a man, woman or child was left today in this world's largest city who had not known some form of the terror of German bombing.

For some it was damage to their homes, their workshops, their churches, schools or streets. And for a great, great many it simply was a case of their world rocking and crashing about them.

The unavoidable fact that London is taking a terrible tolling no longer will be denied. On the other hand, any impression that London is in ruins is entirely erroneous.

A couple of weeks ago one could scout through big areas in the metropolitan district without seeing a sign of damage. That no longer is the case, as I determined today in a 60-mile, four-hour tour to see how far the German air force had got in its six weeks of endeavor to execute Hitler's threat of wiping London off the map.

### PLANTS STILL RUN

True, I saw blocks and blocks of houses and buildings in some sections which showed not a sign of the air blitzkrieg. But generally bombs had exploded near enough

## CIO Says Gov't Shields Violators of Labor Act

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that he had never as much as asked War and Navy Department officials to withhold contracts from anti-labor firms even more reprehensible.

For the facts now show that the War and Navy Departments, as well as the Defense Commission, would have been acting in a thoroughly legal manner in barring Bethlehem Steel and other Wagner Act violators from getting juicy contracts. The only thing lacking was not legal authority—but the will on the part of Hillman and other Administration officials to act.

It is now more evident than ever that Hillman, Attorney General Robert Jackson, the secretaries of War and Navy and the Defense Commission have all been passing the buck in as complicated and thoroughgoing a double-cross of labor as has been seen in many years.

### LAWYERS ASSIGNED

The Comptroller General's ruling came while two Defense Commission attorneys were slowly mulling over a legal problem which does not exist.

At a meeting on Friday, the Defense Commission as a "concession" to Hillman, which the head of the Commission's Labor Division apparently accepted as satisfactory, assigned the two attorneys to "study" the legal phases of the problem of penalties against Wagner Act violators.

Officials hinted that the problem was very involved and that it might take the lawyers weeks and even months to reach a conclusion. Acting Comptroller General R. N. Elliott has now pointed out that the Government does not need to award contracts to firms submitting the lowest bid.

He said in a ruling made public yesterday that the Defense Commission had a right to require companies to meet general labor, geographic efficiency or other policy standards and give contracts to companies with higher bids if the lower bidders did not meet the Government's standards.

Elliott said that "there would ap-

pear to be no legal objection of the bids of one or more lower bidders and the awarding of a contract to a higher bidder consistently with the principles which properly may be administratively applied in the negotiation of contracts without advertising."

### CITES SPEED-UP ORDER

The acting Comptroller General is a well-known conservative, and opponents of the policy of withholding contracts from corporate labor-breakers have leaned heavily on some of his previous opinions.

Elliott pointed to the so-called National Defense speed-up bill of July 2 to show that the Defense Commission can impose standards on firms which want to get arms contracts.

This act gives the War and Navy Departments power to make contracts by negotiation as well as by a process of competitive bidding.

The acting Comptroller General ruled that the two departments can under this law ask for bids, and then negotiate a contract with any of the bidders or even with some firm that had not entered a bid at all.

CIO officials held that the President could have issued an executive order withholding contracts from firms which violated the Wagner Act prior to the passage of the Armaments Speed-up Bill.

John L. Lewis, CIO president, made a request for this kind of executive order in a letter to President Roosevelt almost two years ago.

### FDR'S ALIBI

President Roosevelt turned down this request in a letter replying to Lewis, which cited an opinion by Elliott denying that there was legal authority for such a move.

But even Elliott has now admitted that since July 2 there has been ample authority for the Government to stop and deny contracts to any firms which violate the Wagner Act.

And it is since July 2 that the Government has handed about \$1,000,000,000 in contracts to Bethlehem Steel—the biggest corporate law-breaker of them all.

## London Cable Service Cut Temporarily

Commercial cables and Western Union communications with London were temporarily interrupted yesterday. Presumably because of the German air attack on Britain.

Western Union officials said that cable lines were interrupted late last night but "all normal functions were resumed early this morning." Commercial Cables said that there was an interruption of less than two hours early today.

## Chinese Set To Rush Arms On Burma Rd.

2,000 Trucks Prepared for Dash Through Japanese Bombs

LASHIO, Burma, Oct. 16 (UP).—Chinese technicians today overhauled an estimated 2,000 American-made trucks at this Burmese town, northeast of Mandalay, preparatory to the reopening of the Burma Road, main supply route to China, Friday.

Shipments of arms and ammunition for the Chinese forces of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek were not expected immediately but it was believed that within a week Chinese trucks would be rolling over the rough Burma Road to Kunming, Yunnan Province, and thence to the Chinese fighting troops.

Preparatory to the reopening British customs officials and authorities of the Chinese Southwest Transportation Administration were conferring on procedure.

### HUGE STORES AWAIT

Some quarters estimated that 100,000 tons of goods were piled up in Lashio awaiting reopening of the road. Other quarters said that an additional 500,000 tons of material had been accumulated in Rangoon.

## Chicago Youth Congress Calls 4th Conference

Convention Call Issued For Oct. 25, 26, 27, Notables to Speak

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—"Young America is at the Crossroads—It's for You to Choose!"

With these words, the American Youth Congress of Chicago sums up the vital life-or-death issues of today in its call for its Fourth Annual Convention, to be held Oct. 25, 26 and 27 at the Hotel Hamilton, 18 S. Dearborn St.

Pointing out that "more than 5 million people have been killed, wounded, captured or made homeless in the first year of this war alone," the Youth Congress call states:

"Americans, too, are very much concerned. Will our country become involved in war with the accompanying horrors of death, destruction, disease, dictatorship, unemployment and misery—OR will we remain at peace, able to live a happy, decent useful life—to extend democracy—create an even finer America of tomorrow."

"We are at the crossroads. It is for us to choose."

### 3-DAY PARLEY

All young people of Chicago—"regardless of race, creed or affiliation—from every labor union, shop, factory, church, settlement house, community center, student group, classroom, social clubs, fraternal organizations... Negro and white"—are urged to elect delegates to the important three-day convention.

The sessions will be opened with a public mass meeting at 8 P. M. Friday, Oct. 25, at which candidates for governor from each political party in Illinois have been invited to speak on "What My Party Offers Youth in the Coming Elections."

A special feature will be the showing of "Says Youth," documentary film of the youth movement. On Saturday, Oct. 26, the chairman's annual report will be delivered. It will be entitled, "American Youth at the Crossroads—Which Way?"

Most of the afternoon will be taken up with round table discussions on such subjects as Education; "America's First Line of Defense—Jobs and Security"; "Is It Happening Here?" and "Politicians—Servants or Masters of the People?" with a plenary session on "How Can We Keep America Out of War?"

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**Red Army Anti-Tank Unit:** Soviet troops shown moving a light anti-tank weapon to a more favorable position during recent tactical exercises held in the Western Military District of the USSR. The maneuvers were held under conditions closely approximating those of actual modern warfare and applied the tactical lessons of the fighting in Europe in the last war.

## Britons Paying \$256 Millions Weekly on War

War Costs Nearly Double of Last March; Gov't Wants More

LONDON, Oct. 16 (UP).—Minister of Finance Sir Kingsley Wood told the House of Commons today that Britain's war expenditure for the four-week period ending Oct. 12 had averaged over \$24,000,000 (about \$255,000,000) a week, nearly double the expenditure in March of this year.

Wood made the statement in discussing a new credit of £1,000,000,000 (\$4,000,000,000) for war expenditure. He said that the present daily cost of the fighting forces amounted to £7,500,000 and other services £1,500,000.

Urging quick passage of the law providing the new war credits, he said:

"I regard this as encouraging evidence of the progress of our war effort. I hope the rate of expenditure will be even further increased."

## Japanese Raid Chungking; Hospital Hit

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16 (UP).—Three Japanese planes in a twilight raid on Chungking tonight bombed the modern suburbs and hit the dining hall of the Syracuse hospital where a Chinese doctor and six typhoid fever patients were buried in debris.

Five of the entombed persons were rescued. Officials said that about 12 bombs were dropped, two persons being wounded in the streets and several houses damaged.

## Air Attack On Gibraltar Is Reported

ALGECIRAS, Spain, Oct. 16 (UP).—Spanish News Agency dispatches today reported a strong attack by unidentified airplanes against the British fortress of Gibraltar.

The airplanes flew over Gibraltar several times while the anti-aircraft guns in the harbor (presumably on British warships) replied.

A British hydroplane was catapulted from a warship as soon as the raiders were heard approaching. Later a series of bomb explosions were reported at Gibraltar.

## New Red Army Rules Stress Duty of Men to Ideals of Socialism

Disciplinary Regulations Are Based on Singleness of Class Interests of All; Emphasis Is on Education and Responsibility

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Oct. 16.—The new disciplinary regulations in the Red Army issued October 12 by Marshal of the Soviet Union Semyon Timoshenko are designed to facilitate the radical reorganization now going into effect in military training and education as a result of the experience of recent

years, it is announced here today.

Soviet army discipline is based on the homogeneity of class interests of the entire personnel of the Red Army, on their boundless devotion to their people, on the sense of high responsibility of everyone in the service for the cause of the defense of the Socialist Fatherland which is entrusted to him.

The regulations define the relations between a commander and his subordinates. They emphasize the significance of a single command in the Red Army, giving the commander full power, raising his responsibility for the education of his subordinates in the spirit of the tasks placed before the Red Army by the Soviet Government and the Communist Party.

The regulations not only define the degree of punishment and encouragement, but simultaneously develop in Army men a sense of the high significance of a Red Army fighter, teach every Army man to be exacting to himself and exacting, strict and just to his subordinates.

## N. Hampshire C.P. to Appeal In Ballot Case

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Oct. 16.—The New Hampshire Ballot Commission today ruled the Communist Party off the ballot by a vote of two to one.

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## Yangtze Rail Towns Taken In New Drive

Fall of Key City Opens Way to Widespread Activity

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

CHUNGKING, Oct. 16.—The seizure of Matang in the northern part of Kiangsi Province in Central China yesterday by Chinese troops proved to be the opening move of a rather widespread counter-offensive drive. It is revealed here today.

After seizing Matang, an important strategic point on the Yangtze River, in central China, the Chinese cleared out the suburbs and occupied the elevations around the city. Simultaneously they conducted offensive operations upstream along the Yangtze, driving toward Pengtze, another important point, as far as Mupanshan, which they occupied. The Chinese seized a number of points situated between Pengtze and Hukow, the latter being southwest of Pengtze.

In the Nanchang sector in South China, Chinese troops occupied positions along the railway and highway and along the Fuho River, then launched an attack on Yukow, an eastern suburb of Nanchang, on Oct. 13.

The recent offensive launched by the Japanese in the southern part of Anhwei Province ended in failure. The Japanese troops conducted an offensive from Wantai, southeast of Yuhu, in the direction of Tsinian, northeast of Nanking. After two days of battle one Japanese regiment was completely destroyed.

Then began a new Chinese counter-offensive in Anhwei and Chekiang provinces, in which more than 3,000 Chinese troops are involved.

## State AFL Head Joins Teachers In Protest

Lyons Opposes Attempt to Subpoena List of Members

Leaders of the American Federation of Labor yesterday joined in protests against the attempt of the Rapp-Coudert Committee's effort to subpoena the membership rolls of Teachers Local 5.

Their protests came shortly on the heels of the wire of the Greater New York Industrial Union Council of the CIO protesting the unprecedented attempt.

Among those who protested yesterday were Thomas J. Lyons, president of the New York State Federation of Labor, and Matthew Woll, vice-president of the A. F. of L.

Prof. George S. Counts, president of the American Federation of Teachers, himself a red-baiter, now leading a fight against Local 5, saw the subpoena of the Rapp-Coudert committee as going too far. In his statement he said:

"If the membership lists of the teachers' union can be opened, the time may not be far distant when the membership lists of other unions will be similarly opened. It is the beginning of a road which may lead to government control of trade unions and the end of the free labor movement in America."

The Rapp Committee's demand for the membership lists is ostensibly for its probe on "subversive" activities in New York schools.

In the meantime, Local 5 stood pat on its refusal to hand over the membership lists despite failure in Supreme Court and the Appellate Division to obtain a stay of the subpoena. Yesterday representatives of the committee who came to the local's headquarters were given only financial accounts and other books they requested, but no membership lists.

Charles J. Hendley, president of the union, thereupon faces contempt proceedings in a court upon his charge that the subpoena is improper.

## Vichy Halts Manufacture Of All War Materials

VICHY, France, Oct. 16 (UP).—France under its armistice agreements with Germany and Italy prohibited the manufacture of every type of military weapon today—tanks, fighting planes, poison gas, explosives and artillery. Work was halted on warships under construction.

Technical and optical instruments which may be adapted to war use are banned also. Import and export, or transit through France, and its empire, are forbidden.



## School Head To Address Foreign-Born Parley

Max Yergan and City Youth Leader to Speak

Leonard Covello, principal of Benjamin Franklin High School, and Tom Jones, president of the New York Congress of Youth, will be two of the speakers to participate in the New York City Conference for Protection of Foreign Born, which is to be held at the Hotel Edison on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 19, it was announced today.

It was announced also that another speaker will be Katherine Terrill, of the Methodist Council for Social Action.

**YERGAN CHAIRMAN**

Dr. Max Yergan, president of the National Negro Congress, will serve as chairman of the conference sessions. Other speakers will include James B. Carey, national secretary of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, and the Hon. Vito Marcantonio, United States Congressman from New York City.

Mr. Covello, it was announced, will speak on the "Immigrant in the Community." Mr. Jones will discuss the effects of discrimination against non-citizens upon their American-born children. Miss Terrill will speak on the Campaign for American Citizenship and Citizenship Rights, which is being launched nationally by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born on Oct. 28.

Individuals and organizations desiring additional information about the New York City Conference for Protection of Foreign Born are invited to communicate with the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, 79 Fifth Ave., New York City. Information can be obtained also by calling ALgonquin 4-2334 or ALgonquin 4-2379.

## Canadian Marine Union Leader Is Arrested

HALIFAX, Oct. 16 (AP).—Canada's government continued its drive on the AFL Canadian Seamen's Union, which has netted three victims, with the arrest of R. Charles Murray under the "defense" regulations. No charge was mentioned.

Murray, who lives here, is a former CSU organizer. He was an active leader during the Halifax fish handlers' lockout of 1937, and was credited with preventing bloodshed when the ill-paid workers, locked out by a stranglehold monopoly, threatened to go berserk. He was also active in forming the Fishermen's Union, an affiliate of the CSU, which has tempered exploitation of fishermen.

## Dairy Farmers to Get \$1.88 for Sept. Milk

ALBANY, Oct. 16 (UP).—Milk producers in the Rochester marketing area will receive \$1.88 per 100 pounds for September milk, an increase of seven cents above the previous month, the State Agriculture Department announced today.

## Women Unionists Rally For Repeal of Draft

Pledge Full Support for Marcantonio Measure At Meeting in I. W. O. Hall—Youth Leader Among Speakers

On the eve of registration for conscription close to 500 women in a meeting sponsored by the Women's Trade Union Committee for Peace held at Transport Workers Hall, 153 W. 64th St., pledged their full support of the Marcantonio Bill to repeal the conscription measure.

Dr. Bella V. Dodd, chairman of the committee, urged the audience, most of whom represented trade unions, women's auxiliaries, fraternal, peace and civic groups, to join with the American Peace Mobilization to press for repeal of the conscription bill. She pointed out that while the law must be obeyed the work for its repeal must be increased.

Jean Horie, chairman of the American Youth Congress in New York City, stated that her organization, most of whose members are to register today, is working for a program of adequate pay during military service, guarantee of return to jobs with no loss of seniority, health and education programs for conscripts, a moratorium on debts and government aid for the families of conscripted men.

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## Chicago Youth to Protest Army Jim Crow Friday

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—A youth protest rally to take action against the Roosevelt-approved Jim Crow policy in the armed forces will be held here Friday, Oct. 18, 8 P. M., at Forum Hall, 322 E. 43rd St.

Henry Winston, national administrative secretary of the Young Communist League, and William L. Patterson, Communist candidate for Congressman in the First District, will speak at the rally.

Held in the heart of the Negro community, the protest meeting will condemn the action of the President in "helping the stamp of approval on the racial theories of the Hitler regime."

## Says Hague Machine Used Phony Votes

Probers Charge as High As 20% of Votes Were Illegal

TRENTON, N. J., Oct. 16 (UP).—H. Ralph Burton, chief investigator for the United States Senate's subcommittee investigating alleged election frauds in Hudson and other counties, testified today that a "tremendous number" of election book discrepancies have been discovered by investigators in Hudson County.

Burton testified that a check-up of between 30 and 40 districts of the 311 in Jersey City had revealed "discrepancies varying from 5 to 20 per cent."

Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City, Democratic National Committee vice-chairman, has announced his intention of appearing before the committee to testify when requested.

Burton told the two-man Senate subcommittee that signatures in registration and poll books varied. That more votes were certified in some election districts than there were voters, and that voters mysteriously changed their residences just before elections, moving back to their former homes immediately afterwards.

Burton gave the committee photographic copies of signatures, showing differences in spelling and handwriting, in registration and poll books.

## London Press Hails New Chaplin Film

LONDON, Oct. 16 (UP).—London newspapers today acclaimed the former London street urchin, Charlie Chaplin, for his new film "The Great Dictator."

Although the film has not yet reached London, its newspapers printed enthusiastic dispatches from their American correspondents who attended last night's premiere in New York.

The Daily Telegraph said: "audiences who come to laugh will remain to think." The News Chronicle said that anyone who saw the film felt personally indebted to Chaplin.

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## Curran, Quill Address ALP Rally Sunday

West Side Meeting Is Scheduled Sunday in Palm Garden

Joseph Curran, President of the National Maritime Union, Michael Quill, President of the Transport Workers Union, and Congressman Vito Marcantonio will speak at an indoor election rally of the American Labor Party candidates on Sunday, October 20th, at 2 P. M. at Palm Garden, 306 West 52nd Street.

Featuring the entertainment will be the singing of the "Ballad for Americans" by the American People's Chorus of the International Workers Order. The Croatian Chorus will also sing several selections.

The meeting is the fourth indoor mass rally to be held in the 15th Congressional district under the auspices of the Curran for Congress Campaign Committee. Two additional meetings are being arranged on October 24th at P.S. No. 17 and on October 25th at the Textile High School.

Curran will address voters in the 3rd and 8th A.D.'s on three occasions this week, as follows: Thursday, Oct. 17th, at 8 P. M., at Public School No. 58, on West 52nd Street between 8th and 9th Avenues; Friday, October 18th, at 8 P. M., at Public School No. 33, West 28th Street and 9th Avenue; and Sunday, October 20th, at 2 P. M., at the Palm Garden Hall, 306 West 52nd Street.

Among those who will speak at the October 17th meeting, besides Curran, are: Barney O'Leary, of the T.W.U., Executive Committee; Gino Bardi, Editor of L'Unita Del Popolo; and Hugo Forzani, the candidate for Assemblyman in the 8th A.D.

## Curran Corrects Post Columnist On Aid to Britain

Joseph Curran, president of the National Maritime Union, last night repudiated the assertion of New York Post Columnist Leonard Lyons that he was about to join the William Allen White Committee to "Defend America by Aiding Britain."

In a letter to Lyons, Curran said, "In your column of October 16 you erroneously reported that I am one of the labor leaders who have endorsed the William Allen White Committee."

"I do not know the source of your information, but I want to make it clear to you that it is not true. I have not endorsed the William Allen White Committee."

## Newark Truck Men Get Raise, End Strike

NEWARK, Oct. 16.—Representatives of the over the road truck drivers here organized in the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, agreed to accept the employers' proposal for an agreement for a \$2 raise, ending their strike. Drivers on the short haul firms remained out. Two additional holidays a year are provided in the agreement.

## Milk Consumers Win Victory as Rice Rescinds O. K. on Use of Adulterant

Milk consumers won a victory yesterday when Health Commissioner John L. Rice was forced to rescind Sanitary Code Section 158 and regulations thereto for the sale and distribution of Dairy Products Mixture.

This adulterated form of milk has been on the market since July 9 and has been vigorously fought by the Milk Consumers Protective Committee as a fraudulent product benefiting the large milk companies only.

The mixture was shot through with air bubbles allowing the contents to increase in size without adding any food value to the prod-

uct. The consumer was getting only half as much milk for the same price.

The repeal of Section 158 becomes effective Nov. 1, 1940. In making public the withdrawal of Dairy Products Mixture from the market, Dr. Rice stated, "It has been found that the distribution of this product in the city has been of insignificant proportions, only one dealer now distributing Dairy Products Mixture, and the expectations of the Board members that by providing for such products there would be an increase in the consumption of milk solids has not been realized."

Furthermore, the Department of Health has been informed in a



**Bethlehem Is Answered:** Delegates from Bethlehem plants all over the country listen in Bethlehem, Pa., to Chairman Philip Murray of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee (CIO), who said: "It will take 90 days to finish the job of organization in the Bethlehem plants." A violator of the Wagner Act, the company has received more than \$1,000,000,000 in national defense contracts.

## Browder to Be Heard In Brooklyn Tonight

Knox Ruling Prevents Personal Appearance But Address Will Be Phoned—Kings County Communist Candidate to Appear

Arrangements have been completed for seating a record audience at the Brooklyn Academy of Music, Lafayette Avenue, tonight, when the New York State Election Campaign Committee, Communist Party and its Brooklyn Division will hold a Kings county-wide election rally.

With Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President, as the chief speaker, nationwide interest will focus on what the Communist leader will have to say on the swiftly mounting international situation and domestic issues affecting the American people at this hour.

Prevented by the ruling of Federal Judge Knox from making a personal appearance at the Brooklyn meeting, the Communist Presidential candidate will relay his address by telephone and amplifier to the audience at the Academy.

## Boston C. P. Leader Asks Defense of America's Jobs

Frankfeld in Radio Address Says People Want to Stay Out of War—Urges Repeal of Conscription Law

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BOSTON, Oct. 16.—One of the 16,400,000 of America's young men who registered today spoke over the radio here last night, and declared that while he is ready to die, if necessary, for the America he loves, he stands firmly by the overwhelming sentiment of the people of this nation against involvement in a war "for the bankers and munition-makers of Berlin, London, Rome, Tokyo and Wall Street."

The speaker was Philip Frankfeld, state secretary of the Communist Party of Massachusetts. His stirring address was carried over stations WBZ and WBZA here.

Frankfeld said, in part of his talk that "I am ready to defend my country—I can calmly contemplate the possibility of making even the supreme sacrifice for the America I love; the America of the common people; of our glorious institutions of free speech, press, assembly and conscience; of our great heritage of liberty and independence won through the heroic struggles of our people."

"But is this the America," he declared, "that the Economic Royalists want us to defend? Thirty-five million Americans, or 83 per cent of the voting population don't think so. . . . The people don't want to become involved in the European war. They realize that no real principles are at stake. It is a cruel and mercenary war for markets, colonies and spheres of influence. . . ."

**WAGE CUTS TREASON.** Frankfeld lashed out at the "uncrowned rulers of America"—the Mellons, Rockefellers and du Ponts whom he charged are the driving force for the nation's involvement

in the war for the protection of Wall Street investments. He went on to say: "To defend America means to defend first the interests of the American people. The Communist Party demands national defense based on sound social security. The standard of living for the people must be decisively improved if the fighting morale of the people is to become invincible."

"Any effort to cut wages," he said, "is treason to America." The Communist leader urged repeal of the draft law, and declared that pending such a repeal, the wages of the draftees should be increased from \$21 to \$30 monthly, civil and political rights of the troops must be strictly preserved, and that the draftees should have the right to keep in touch with their trade unions and organizations to which they belong."

Frankfeld, who is a candidate for the United States Senate, wound up his address with an appeal to his listeners to make their protest against the drive toward war sharply this November by casting their votes for the Communist Party.

## ALP Progressives To Hold Affair

The New York County Committee of the American Labor Party will hold its election campaign "Swing for Peace" at the Aldine Club, 200 Fifth Ave., Saturday night at 9 o'clock.

Music for the dance will be furnished by Artie Hamilton and his "Ambassadors of Rhythm." In addition, Phil Leeds, of Allaben Acres fame, and the song and dance team of "Peewee and Joe-Little-Joe" of the Harlem Flashes will entertain.

Prior to the dance, at 6 P. M., the Progressive Committee to Rebuild the A.L.P. will give a dinner in honor of Eugene P. Connolly, New York County chairman of the party. Tickets for both affairs can be had at Manhattan A.L.P. headquarters, 77 Fifth Ave.

## Ford Hits Army Jim Crow At Scene of Texas Lynching

Communist Candidate Addresses Houston Negro And White Dockers at Rally Vigilantes Tried Unsuccessfully to Prevent Being Held

By Robert F. Hall

(Special to the Daily Worker)

HOUSTON, Tex., Oct. 16.—This city has a vivid recollection of how the Southern bourgeois "rewarded" Negro soldiers for service in the 1917 war "to save democracy." For it was in this city that seventeen colored soldiers were lynched, shot and jailed for protesting treatment of Negroes on their return from France more than twenty years ago.

A number of them are still in jail. James W. Ford, Communist candidate for Vice President found it unnecessary to labor the point speaking Monday night before 300 Negro and white longshoremen, oil workers, students and marine workers in a campaign rally in the Bethlehem Baptist Church. The memory of the Houston incident was still fresh in the minds of the audience and illuminated Ford's declaration that America's job is to stay out of the imperialist war and build democracy here at home.

The Communist Party is on the ballot in Texas and comes before the people of the State with a slate of seven candidates in addition to Browder and Ford. The ticket includes Homer Brooks, Party Secretary, candidate for U. S. Senator against reactionary Negro-baiting Senator Connally; Ben Lauderdale, red-headed dirt farmer of the Texas Panhandle, candidate for governor; Cecil Robinson, Negro sawmill worker and leader of the Negro rights movement in Southeast Texas, candidate for Lieutenant-governor; Emma Tennay, known even to the capitalist press as the Texas partisan for her militant leadership of the struggles of the Latin-American workers of Southwest Texas, candidate for Congress in the 20th District; Elnoch Hardaway, West Texas oil field worker, for railroad commissioner; J. Lloyd Wright for attorney general; Orton T. Campbell, for commissioner of agriculture.

Ford's eloquent discussion of the conditions facing the Southern people and his presentation of the platform of the CP calling for peace, jobs and democracy here at home, added up to the inescapable conclusion that the common people of Texas, Negro and white, should vote Communist on Nov. 5.

**HTS POLL TAX** Ford assailed the Republican and Democratic parties and their leaders Willie and Roosevelt as responsible for the continuation of lynching, unemployment, the un-American poll tax and other devices for disfranchising the Negro people and

the white workers and farmers in the South. Only a few miles from the Congressional District of Martin Dies he showed how this political mountebank held office by virtue of votes of only one out of every fifteen adult citizens in his district.

"When the poll tax and the lily white primaries are abolished, so that the common people, black and white, can vote, there are at least 65 Southern Congressmen that will be retired to private life," said Mr. Ford.

Ford returned to Houston yesterday for the first time since shortly after the first World War when he made his home here, but there were many old friends who remembered him and came to pay their respects to the distinguished former citizen of the city.

The Ford rally was originally scheduled for the K. of P. Hall but this meeting place was cancelled after vigilantes had called on the manager and reactionaries put pressure on the officials of the Negro Local of the A.F.L. longshore union which uses the hall as head-

quarters. The cancellation took place only three days before the meeting, but despite this, the workers found their way to the little neighborhood church.

Attempts by local police at intimidation also failed. Twenty-five uniformed police officers lounged in front of the church, and workers had to brush by them to get into the hall. Five of the officers were Negroes, and, watching their faces, an observer would say that Ford's speech made a deep impression on some of them.

Rev. G. B. Bennett, pastor of the church, opened the meeting with a prayer. Cecil Robinson acted as chairman, and the James Ford Youth Club, led by Minerva Mitchell, furnished music. Rob Hall, Ford's Southern campaign manager, gave a brief talk which he entitled, "How Not to Waste Your Vote in the 1940 Elections."

Workers dug up ten dollars for a collection for the Communist campaign for votes and five dollars more for literature. It was a swell meeting.

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# Communist Election Heads Map Final Campaign Steps

**Browder Sees Prospect of Biggest Vote in Party's History**

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elimination, persecution and loss of jobs, for doing so," Trachtenberg said.

He highly commended the Communist Party in Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut and other states for not forgetting those "courageous quarter million signers" and circulating them with literature and mail. He urged that this be continued.

Another proposal of Trachtenberg's which the conference approved, was for arrangements of conferences of liberals and friends of the Party in unions and other organizations on steps to further the campaign. This, he said, was a means to giving organizational expression to the wide interest among persons outside the Party in its campaign.

Trachtenberg laid great stress on arrangements for election day, "when we must see that our vote is counted."

"In the final lap of our campaign we must carry through the most thorough house-to-house canvass we have ever carried through," said Trachtenberg. "Millions of pieces of literature must be taken by our comrades personally to the voters."

## URGES ALERT WATCHERS

Placing the Communist Party on the ballot does not end the fight, he warned, as there is still the fight for the right to watch at the polls and to hand to each voter a sample ballot showing how to vote Communist. He urged that there be no yielding on all such rights.

The Communist Party in many parts of the country is denied the use of large halls or schools to meet in, reported Trachtenberg, but he said that this was largely made up by a great number of broadcasts—far more than in any previous campaign. The most extensive part of that program is still to come, he added.

Hudson's and Trachtenberg's brief sketch of the campaign's progress was well borne out in the reports that followed.

Ben Davis, Jr., Eastern Campaign manager for James W. Ford, gave a vivid account of the first welcome the Communist vice-presidential candidate received in the South which he said was "extremely encouraging." He said that most significant in some of the cities was the "complete disregard" by the people of the anti-Communist terror.

Peter Caccione, Communist Councilman candidate of Brooklyn, described the wide extent of the campaign in his borough. The plan there is to send 200,000 letters to registered voters, "picking out the largest families," he said. Special letters will go to Negro voters, to Italian-Americans, Jewish and other groups.

Caccione, one of the Communist Party's leading campaigners, stressed canvassing, which he placed above all other forms of activity.

Phil Frankford, New England organizer, estimated that in the past eight weeks, 528,000 pieces of literature were distributed to voters in his area.

"The slogan in our state is 'Don't waste your votes on the parties of Wall Street!'"

New England has 35 more broadcasts, most of them on stations of industrial communities, Frankford reported.

I. Wolfsey, Connecticut secretary, estimated that the Party distributed 300,000 pieces of campaign literature in the Nutmeg State and has contracted for 17 broadcasts, several more still to come.

## AMTER DESCRIBES DRIVE

Israel Amter described the great job of collecting 13,000 signatures of New York's total of 43,000, in the reaction-controlled up-state counties. He said signers are now being visited by representatives of the American Legion but "are standing up like Americans."

New York Communists distributed some 3,000,000 pieces of literature, not counting local branch literature, Amter reported. The state raised \$238,000 of its \$300,000 goal. At least 200,000 homes were canvassed in the drive for signatures, Amter said.

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn described the fine reception she had been receiving on her tour through the middle-west and west. She said the "Party is in good fighting trim."

In the intense fight for youth the Communists are giving a good account of themselves. Mac Weiss, national chairman of the Young Communist League, reported. He said that the YCL has arranged a great number of radio broadcasts. Much of the competition of the political parties for the youth, he said, centers on efforts to get speakers before audiences at settlement houses, Y's and other youth organizations. The YCL has broken through much of the barriers professional red-baiters have set up, Weiss said.

Robert Minor, member of the National Committee, pointed out that the tasks of the Communists is to force the fight on preservation of the rights guaranteed in the

## Hudson Calls for 'Streamlined' Drive

The text of the opening remarks of Roy Hudson at yesterday's meeting of the resident members of the National Election Campaign Committee of the Communist Party, follows:

The main task before this meeting and the entire Party is to insure that the growing influence of the Party, already registered in struggles in the campaign, will be reflected in votes on Election Day.

In spite of all restrictions of the right to vote, it is still possible to achieve an impressive vote that will be a significant, although partial reflection of the people's desire for peace and freedom. We can help guarantee these results on Election Day if the decisions of this meeting result in a maximum of organized effort, if the last lap of the campaign is really placed on a streamlined basis.

We enter the last lap of an election campaign that has been correctly characterized by Comrade Browder as a "peculiar election." In opening this meeting it might be useful to emphasize certain peculiarities of the campaign of our Party because they can be a guide as well as a source of inspiration to us.

First, never in the history of the American labor movement has any working class political organization conducted its election campaign in the face of such great intimidation and difficulties. We are meeting this attack and, in doing so, have organized and drawn into struggle wide sections of people to resist the program of both the Republican and Democratic Parties. In doing so, we have not only defended our own rights, but our election campaign has helped to defend the civil rights of all. It has served to help clarify, organize and strengthen the growing resistance of the workers to the war program of big business and Wall Street. We wanted our votes on Election Day to be the reflection of increased clarity and unity of the masses—and our election campaign has already aroused and stimulated the struggle of broad masses for their vital needs to a greater extent than has ever been achieved in previous elections.

Secondly, we enter the last lap with a conviction that none of the other political parties can have. That conviction is that while we are still a minority party, we are exerting greater political influence than we have ever achieved in the history of our Party. We are a minority party but the great masses are stirring, moving in our direction. We have deep roots amongst them. The extent to which we are influencing political life, is reflected in the discussion provoked by Comrade Browder's historic speech in Boston, urging a Washington, Moscow, Chungking Axis as the basis of a foreign policy for our country.

This growing influence, of course, cannot everywhere be registered in Communist votes on Election Day because in some places the forces of reaction will be able to deprive people of the right to formally vote for our Party. But many workers have already recorded in deed what they would like to record in the polling booth if they are not deprived of their constitutional right. In every state our candidates and program are meeting with a wider response than ever. Every worker who gave money, every person who demanded our right to the radio, every man and woman who signed our petitions, is proof of that. But more than that: neither the threat of loss of jobs nor possible persecution has prevented hundreds of thousands from demonstrating support for our rights and approval of our program. Under the circumstances each such heroic act has been nearly the equivalent of a vote on Election Day.

Conditions are favorable for a large vote on Election Day—not only from those who already have actively approved and supported our program and struggles, but also from others, and their number increases daily, who can be won to vote for Browder and Ford as the only means of expressing their opposition to the war and hunger program of Willkie and Roosevelt. A large Communist vote will have tremendous significance. It can and must be achieved where we have the opportunity.

In every state we must intensify our activities, utilizing the election campaign to the full to further clarify, unify and organize the rising militancy and growing resistance of the people to the imperialist program of Wall Street. Those states that are on the ballot have a two-fold responsibility: to record in votes the Communist support in each specific state, and in doing so to reflect at the same time our support in those states where we have been deprived of our legal rights. This influence can be registered if we organize our forces, if we intensify our efforts to get the masses to express their desire for peace, jobs, civil rights and freedom, by voting Communist.

## Task Is to Win with U. S. Aid, Lords Told

LONDON, Oct. 16 (UP).—Lord Snell said in the House of Lords today that Britain's major task was to win the war in the air "with the support of the United States."

## Lord Lothian to Remain in London for a While

LONDON, Oct. 16 (UP).—Lord Lothian, British Ambassador to the United States who is en route to London, will spend several weeks conferring with Government officials in London before returning to Washington, it was learned today.

## Call Reserve Unit

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—The Navy today ordered the second division of the Organized Naval Reserve of Baltimore to active duty next Friday. The Division, comprising 135 men and 4 officers, is the first unit of the organized reserves ordered to active duty. It will serve in the Canal Zone for duration of the emergency.

## Navy Orders 3 Tenders

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—The Navy late today ordered construction of three submarine tenders at a total estimated cost of \$50,000,000. Two will be constructed at the Navy Yard at Mare Island, Cal., and one at the Puget Sound Navy Yard.



**Rodeo Visits a Hospital:** Joseph Carbone, 7 years old, takes a ride on George Mills' trained donkey during the outdoor performance staged by eighty cowboys and cowgirls of the World's Championship Rodeo on the grounds of Bellevue Hospital for the benefit of over 2,000 youthful patients and their attendants.

## London Bombed 40th Time; Raid Liverpool

**RAF Reports Blasting 40 Nazi 'Nerve Centers'; German Supply Ships Reported Sunk By British in Attacks**

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(classified "ladder plan" offensive by shelling the French "invasion ports" of Cherbourg, Le Havre and Boulogne.

Tons of high explosive bombs and incendiaries were said to have been hurled upon the dockyards of Germany's Kiel naval base at the Baltic side of the Kiel Canal by "relays" of heavy bombers in a four-hour attack.

At Hamburg shipping and wharves were heavily bombed.

Among the nearly 40 Nazi objectives listed for the night's attacks were more than 20 railroad centers of the Reich, over which the Nazi High Command moves troops, supplies and equipment to the channel coast. All British aircraft returned safely, it was said.

## BLAST 40 NAZI 'NERVE CENTERS'

LONDON, Oct. 16 (UP).—Smashing through a new barrier of Nazi defense planes in machine-gun battles, waves of Blenheim bombers aided by warships of the British home fleet today were reported to have carried out a blistering assault on nearly 40 "nerve centers" of the German war machine.

## NAZIS SAY LONDON A 'SEA OF FLAMES'

BERLIN, Oct. 16 (UP).—London is a "sea of flames and utter chaos" after one of the most terrible assaults in the history of aerial warfare carried out by 1,000 or more German planes attacking in massive waves, Nazi spokesmen claimed tonight.

Between 30 and 40 great fires are raging in London with flames leaping as high as 1,000 feet into the air and "buildings are collapsing," the official Nazi news agency reported tonight.

A great mass of smoke and flame was said to obscure the world's greatest city and there is small

chance of disciplined life being carried on "amidst the ruins, misery, fire and destruction."

German pilots were quoted as comparing flaming London "with a mountain where volcanoes are erupting and lava is pouring off."

Tonight's waves of attackers were said to have been guided to the blasted heart of London by leaping flames visible 60 miles away and even "from across the English Channel," according to a communiqué of the Nazi high command.

More than 300 British soldiers probably were killed or wounded during the day when a Nazi Junkers dive-bomber, returning from an attack on a Liverpool airbase, swept down and scored a direct hit on a troop train streaming westward near Liverpool, it was stated in Berlin.

Liverpool with its vast docks, the industrial Midlands, west coast ports and airbases and widespread other parts of England also were said to be under an almost constant deluge of bombs.

## 3 NAZI SUPPLY SHIPS 'DESTROYED'

LONDON, Oct. 16 (UP).—Three German military supply ships and two escorting naval vessels have been "destroyed" in battle, the Admiralty said tonight while admitting that Italian aerial torpedoes have damaged the 9,700-ton cruiser Liverpool in the Mediterranean.

The cruiser Liverpool, with casualties among her 700 officers and men, has arrived safely in port after being damaged by torpedo-carrying Italian warplanes while returning from last Saturday's naval battle in the Mediterranean off Malta fortress, it was said.

## Boris Talks with British

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Oct. 16 (UP).—It was announced officially today that King Boris conferred with the British Minister George Rendel yesterday.

## To 'Classify' Millions Who Registered

**City Voters Showed Deep Sentiment for Peace While Registering**

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000) had registered in one of the 712 public schools.

Now these registered men will receive a number which will be soon posted on bulletin boards in the same place where the registration took place. Then these numbers will be picked at random and the men whose numbers come up will receive from their local Draft Boards a detailed questionnaire which will determine whether they will be called immediately or deferred. They must at all times carry their registration cards with them.

The men who registered for the Draft were the subject of two appeals, one from President Roosevelt and the other from Wendell Willkie, Republican candidate for the Presidency. Willkie supported the Draft measure once again.

## ALL WANT PEACE

The men who registered were a sober and thoughtful group. Overwhelmingly, they want America to stay at peace. In their conversations they reflected an anxiety and concern over the danger of America going to war.

The capitalist press, in its reports of comments and feelings among the men, could not but admit that there is among the people widespread concern lest the Draft and other similar measures lead to U. S. involvement in the war.

"Harlem," reported Johnston Kerkhoff in the New York Post, "was more bitter. Groups collected at street corners debating where to register, or tramped from one school to another. One heard such remarks as: 'The only time they want us is when there's fighting' and 'They're giving us the run-around.'"

## Bulgarian Envoy Confers with Italian Minister

ROME, Oct. 16 (UP).—Premier Benito Mussolini and Minister of Agriculture Giuseppe Tassinari conferred at length today with Bulgarian Minister of Agriculture Ivan Bagrianov at Venice Palace, Mussolini's headquarters.

## Britain Says Trade with Rumania Discontinued

LONDON, Oct. 16 (UP).—Great Britain has ceased normal trade relations with Rumania since it became apparent that the Balkan oil state was under the economic domination of Germany, R. A. Butler, Parliamentary Secretary for Foreign Affairs, told the House of Commons today.

## Ohl, AFL Chief, Dies

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (UP).—Henry Ohl, Jr., 67-year-old president of the Wisconsin Federation of Labor, died at Emergency Hospital tonight shortly after he suffered a heart attack in the American Federation of Labor's national offices here.



**Register for Draft:** Here are some of New York's million young men who registered yesterday for nation's first peace-time draft. Photo shows crowds lined up at one of the Harlem draft centers, Public School 184, at 131 W. 116th St. —Daily Worker Photo.

## Police Intimidation Bared In Pittsburgh C. P. Trial

**Introduction of Dies' Threatening Letter by Defense Counsel Denied by Judge—Svoboda Is Released in \$1,000 Bail**

By David Lurie

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Oct. 16.—Further evidence of the intimidation practiced by the District Attorney's office in obtaining indictments against the 43 workers arrested in Allegheny County for petition circulating activities and now standing trial developed dramatically in court today.

Prisilla Scott, a state's witness, told the court that she had gotten "into a lot of trouble" because she signed the nominating petition which placed the Communist Party on the ballot in this state.

"What made you think you had done something wrong by signing the petition," she was asked by Cyrus A. Davis, chief defense counsel.

"If you saw two policemen coming to your door, you'd think you'd done wrong," the witness answered. Samuel A. Neuberger, of the defense counsel, sought unsuccessfully to introduce a copy of the letter sent by Martin Dies to all signers in the state.

## SVOBODA RELEASED

Meanwhile Vencel Svoboda, prosecution witness who was arrested and held in \$1,000 bail on charges of perjury, was released on bond. Svoboda was arrested after he had told the court that he knew that he was signing a Communist petition but that he had testified falsely at the Grand Jury hearing. He explained that he "was scared" by

the actions of the District Attorney's office and the receiving of a letter from the Dies Committee. He was led to believe, Svoboda said, that signing of a Communist petition was a crime. Now that he knew it was legal, he declared, he was telling the truth.

Svoboda, who was a railroad worker for 20 years, was the first of those witnesses who have repudiated their grand jury testimony to be arrested for perjury. Defense counsel have insisted that the arrest was an attempt to intimidate future witnesses.

The defense succeeded in introducing an anti-war petition which was being circulated by the Communist Party at the same time as the nominating petitions. This was done after a witness admitted to signing the two petitions.

At the close of the afternoon session a doctor was called to examine James Deadman, Negro defendant. The doctor declared that Deadman was suffering from a severe sore throat and recommended that he get at least one day's rest. It was not known whether the judge would grant this.

# 15,000 Tammany Poll Frauds Not Prosecuted by Mayor, Dewey

By Harry Raymond

More than 15,000 election fraud indictments—cases piled up against the Tammany-Flynn political machine over a period of years—have been packed away in secret vaults, hidden from the public eye and unprosecuted, it was learned yesterday by the Daily Worker.

While the Hearst Journal-American is currently engaged in publishing legitimate and legal lists of signers of Communist Party election petitions, aiming to intimidate voters, infer fraud and scrap free elections, Republican Prosecutor Thomas E. Dewey, custodian of these real election fraud indictments, has so far failed to take action on them.

Why, it might be asked, does not the Journal-American, if it is searching for fraud, probe into the contents of three special vaults in the office of the chief clerk of the Court of General Sessions?

These vaults are loaded with election fraud indictments. The existence of secret storehouses of untried indictments was first made public by the World-Telegram as far back as Nov. 4, 1934.

## NO ARRESTS

They are all marked "N. A.," meaning no arrest.

The indictments have been returned by grand juries during a period of two generations. Tammany prosecutors forgot about them after elections were over. And Mr. Dewey, who pledged to clean up election skulduggery, appears to have forgotten about them too.

Instead, Democratic and Republican machine men, and the papers supporting them, are engaged today in the work of attempting to

deny civil rights to a minority party that is fighting for peace and security and thus give easier sailing to the war parties of Roosevelt and Willkie.

Since the days of Boss Tweed New York City has been especially notorious for its election frauds. And these frauds were not committed by minority parties but by the party of Tweed, now inherited by Boss Flynn of the Bronx.

Illegal registration is one of the oldest tricks of the Tammany-Flynn machine.

An investigation of registration made in 1933 by Monroe Percy Bloch, secretary of the Honest Ballot Association, revealed 3,000 illegal registrations in one Harlem Assembly District alone.

## TAMMANY FLOATERS

That was before LaGuardia joined hands with the Tammany-Flynn machine. He was fighting them then. So the Tammany stalwarts, who had control of the Municipal Lodging House and were bent on piling up a big vote against the new fusion movement, were discovered to have falsified registered 425 floaters from that institution.

Frank J. Taylor, then Tammany Welfare Commissioner, was the center of an investigation when he was forced to produce the pay-roll records of the Municipal Lodging House.

During a hearing at that time (Oct. 30, 1933) before Supreme Court Justice Salvatore Cotillo it was testified that Louis J. McNally, Tammany election captain and Superintendent of the City Home, had registered floaters from that address.

During registration day 1933 there was such an onrush of "residents" at a polling place from

Nicholas Turkish Baths, 27 Lenox Ave. that the fraud was obvious to everybody but the Tammany-Flynn boys.

And down through the years the boys from the Wigwam kept up the work of "getting out the vote."

Here are a few choice cases unearthed by the Honest Ballot Association in 1937:

Sixteen persons registered and gave their addresses as 40 W. 16th St., a city playground.

Six registered from an ambulance garage in the seventh assembly district, Manhattan.

Six registrants gave their addresses as the Municipal Recreation Pier, Furman St., Brooklyn.

Three Tammany henchmen were registered from a deserted loft, 529 W. 45th St.

Joseph P. Kennedy, undertaker who resided at Peekskill, N. Y., registered as living in his morgue, 981 Amsterdam Ave., in Jimmie Hines' 11th Assembly District.

Sarah and Edward McGertrick, 78 W. 82nd St., had voted for 28 years from a drygoods store, 791 Ninth Ave., in Tammany's 5th A.D. stronghold.

John Gregory, Thomas and Catherine Weber, who lived in the 18th A.D., Bronx, registered as residing in a wholesale produce market, 1984 First Ave.

## TAMMANY'S WAY

Tammany has a way, it is said, and the foregoing are a few simple examples of the way it has been done for years with little danger of prosecution.

But when these means failed the Tammany gang always resorted to violence at the polls.

In 1933, Robert Minor, Communist Candidate for Mayor, was

forcibly ejected from a polling place. A Communist Party watcher was held in the corner of a voting place, kicked in the groin and left lying on the floor.

It was during the 1933 elections that the vote thieves came out in great force armed with brass knuckles, black-jacks, lead pipes, bricks and stones.

The lower east side and part of Greenwich Village, according to the New York Times, were over-

run by groups of strong-arm men who "intimidated, slugged and booted voters."

It would seem, therefore, that representatives of the Tammany-Flynn machine, which in the past got votes in such an illegal and brazen manner, and the Journal-American, which supported their campaigns, are on very thin ice when they by similar fascist methods assail the carefully and honestly collected Communist petitions.

## Defies Hearst Attack

## 'Publish My Name for All to See,' Reader Says

"Publish my name in full so that any who want to can read it —" this was the answer of a Daily Worker reader to Hearst's publication of the names of Communist nominating petition signers here.

The reader, Horace Casselberry, flayed Hearst's "insidious, demoralizing attack on American freedom and democracy."

The letter follows in full:

"Your editorial in today's 'Worker' about Hearst and his insidious, demoralizing attack on American freedom and democracy makes me feel very guilty. My name should have been on that nominating petition for the Communist candidate, and would have been if I could have located the petition the few times I inquired for it.

"By way of retribution, or restitution, and because I want to stand up and be counted, please publish this letter with my name in full so that any who want to can read it. I say to hell with Hearst and all his be-fouling breed!"

HORACE CASSELBERRY.



## Patterson Day in Chicago Sunday

Communists to Turn Out for South Side Mobilization in Campaign to Elect Negro Leader to Congress

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—With preparations under way for a full day of electioneering on Sunday, Oct. 20, in the First District here, where William L. Patterson is running for U. S. Congressman on the Communist Party ticket, more than 1,000 Party members and friends were called on today

to turn out for the South Side mobilization in order to "guarantee the election of Patterson."

The gathering point from which the election workers will go out into the precincts will be the Patterson Campaign headquarters, 3517 Indiana Ave., at 10:30 A. M.

The "Patterson Day" activities will be climaxed by a huge auto parade through the Negro community in which hundreds of cars will carry banners and slogans.

In calling on the entire county membership to mobilize for concentrated work on the South Side, the Communist Party declared that "we must cover the First District with a fine tooth comb."

"Into household must be brought the message that Patterson will be on the ballot as the only candidate who stands for peace for equal rights for Negro and white, for jobs, adequate housing and relief and for civil liberties."

More than fifty small radio parties were also being organized throughout the South Side to listen to the broadcast of James W. Ford, Communist candidate for Vice-President, on Monday, Oct. 21.

Ford will also appear here in person at a huge election rally on November 1, at Ashland Auditorium.

## Chicago Peace Rally Nov. 11 to Hear Dreiser

Meeting Is One of Many to Be Held by Peace Mobilization

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—Theodore Dreiser, noted writer has been secured as a speaker for the peace rally at Orchestra Hall, which will be held here Nov. 11, American Peace Mobilization Day, it was announced here today.

The rally which is sponsored by the Chicago Council of the American Peace Mobilization, will be one of hundreds of similar rallies and demonstrations which are being called by the APM on that day. Other speakers will be Rev. Owen Knox, chairman of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties, Harvey O'Connor, author of "Millions Millions," Attorney Pearl Hart, Ismael P. Florey, chairman of the Chicago Council of the Nation Negro Congress, and Robert Travis, field representative of the Farm Equipment Workers Organizing Committee.

Meanwhile, the Chicago Council of the APM announced today the formation of a medical committee composed of 50 physicians who are working on a program to safeguard the health of drafted men.

## Upstate C. P. Broadcasts Start Oct. 19

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 16.—The local division of the New York State Election Campaign Committee, Communist Party, has arranged a series of broadcasts over the local radio station WOKO.

On Saturday, Oct. 19, Israel Amter, Communist candidate for U. S. Senator, will deliver a fifteen-minute broadcast starting at 6:45 P. M. John Gates, secretary of N. Y. State Young Communist League, will broadcast at 5:30 P. M. on Monday, Oct. 21, and Claudia Jones at 5:30 P. M. on Monday, Oct. 28. The last two broadcasts are sponsored by the Young Communist League in cooperation with the Communist State Election Campaign Committee.

**Duke Prexy Dies**  
DURHAM, N. C., Oct. 16 (UP).—Dr. William Preston Few, president of Duke University and its predecessor, Trinity College, died in the University hospital today after a brief illness. He was 72.

## Vote Registration Biggest In History of New York

The largest registration in New York's City's history ended Tuesday night with 3,391,238 persons registered to vote in the coming elections.

Registration in New York City has never before exceeded three million. The previous high record was established in 1936 when 2,900,184 New Yorkers registered to vote.

In the just completed registration Brooklyn led the five boroughs with a total of 1,196,348. Totals for the other four boroughs were as follows: Manhattan 825,000; Bronx, 654,487; Queens, 635,511; and Richmond, 79,832.

Noticeable among this year's registrants were the large number of

young persons who had just reached voting age.

Brooklyn's registration marked the largest increase in the entire city, as compared with the last presidential year, 1936. Brooklyn's increase totalled 181,221. Queens was the second borough to register a large increase, with 125,164 more than in 1936. The Bronx increase was 103,352; Manhattan, 74,012; and Richmond, 7,312.

Following are the totals, by boroughs, for the past four years:

Boro 1936 1938 1940 1942

Manhattan 825,000 1,196,348 1,196,348 1,196,348

Bronx 654,487 654,487 654,487 654,487

Queens 635,511 635,511 635,511 635,511

Richmond 79,832 79,832 79,832 79,832

Total 3,391,238 3,391,238 3,391,238 3,391,238

## Minor Speaks In Brooklyn Friday Night

Robert Minor, Communist candidate for Congressman in the 8th Congressional District, will address an open air rally Friday night, Oct. 18, at 44th St. and 13th Ave., Brooklyn. The meeting is sponsored by the New York State Election Campaign Committee, Communist Party, and its divisions in the Brooklyn 9th and 12th Assembly Districts.

## Communists Show Big Gain in Stamford Poll

(Special to the Daily Worker)

STAMFORD, Conn., Oct. 16.—Recent elections in this city not only established the Communist Party as the third party in the community, but gave it sufficient votes to guarantee its place on the ballot in the next local elections.

Jack Goldring, Communist candidate for First Selectman, polled 165 votes, running ahead of the Fusion Party which formerly had considerable strength. The Democratic candidate for Mayor won over his Republican opponent by only 138 votes.

The Communist vote in this election marked an increase of 14 per

cent over its vote in the 1938 local elections, an increase all the more significant considering the intensity of the attack upon the Party by reactionaries during the past year.

The Socialist Party—both the McLevy and the Norman Thomas

groups—is practically non-existent in this city today. It has no organization, ran no candidates, and took no part in the elections.

Stamford now is neatly divided between both old parties, a very practical local arrangement of the basic similarity of policy so marked on a national scale in the presidential campaign.

Stamford has a dual city and town government. The Republicans are in control of the town government, while the Democrats won in the city government.

## CIO Shoe Union Wins

NORWOOD, O., Oct. 16 (FP).—The United Shoe Workers (CIO) won by 7 to 5 an NLRB poll among 1,100 employees of the United Shoe Corp., makers of Red Cross shoes.

## Browder Talks on War and Unions

"The Present War and How It Affects the Trade Union Movement," will be the theme of an address by Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President, at a special industrial rally at the Hotel Diplomat, 108 West 43rd Street, on Wednesday, Oct. 23, at 8:30 P. M.

Sponsored by the New York State Election Campaign Committee, Communist Party, and its industrial division, the rally at Hotel Diplomat will draw an audience consisting mainly of workers in the wholesale, retail and building trades.

Prominent union leaders in these trades will also address this rally.

The Wednesday night meeting will be the second industrial rally which the Communist Presidential candidate will address in person, the first taking place on the preceding night, Tuesday, Oct. 22, at 6 P. M. in Manhattan Center, 311 W. 34th St.



**T**HE people have already registered wide and increased support for the Communist Party and its candidates, Earl Browder and James W. Ford. We believe they are ready to register a large Communist vote in November. Here is why we think so:

Hundreds of thousands of people signed our nominating petitions despite black-listing and threats. Our fight for free elections has become a national fight and is being taken up by the general public. Our stand for peace has already been driven home in three coast-to-coast hookups by standard-bearer Browder; it has been spread over hundreds of regional and local networks and through millions of pieces of hard-hitting campaign literature.

A most important indication of wide support is the splendid response to our financial appeals. Thousands of people sacrificed so that our candidates could speak—so that our Party's name could appear on the ballot.

We fought for the right to speak and we are winning! We fought to get on the ballot and won in many states! NOW OUR JOB IS TO GET OUT THE VOTE! Victories for free speech and free elections must be registered in a LARGE vote.

That's the new phase of the election struggle. It calls for multiplied activity—and for funds to carry on activity.

At this stage of the campaign, finances are of

paramount importance. Without financial support in the early weeks, we would not have been able to take our fight for free elections into the courts of nineteen states. We would not have been able to conduct over fifty legal actions in defense of civil rights. We would not have been able to launch a counter-offensive over the air and through the printed word.

Because we had the financial as well as the moral backing of the people we were in a position to fight our way back to the ballot in Massachusetts after we had been ruled off. We defeated court actions to bar us from the ballot in such states as California, Michigan, Maryland, Vermont, Iowa.

With further financial aid now, we will be able to go after a large vote for peace and freedom.

We call upon all members, branches, sections, and districts of the Communist Party to complete their Fund Drives before Election Day. To those who are lagging behind, we say: *Meet the standards of the Party!* We believe that for Communists this is a point of Communist pride, even more than a point of duty. To those sections which have completed their quotas, we say: *Keep driving or give socialist assistance to those who are handicapped by a slow start.*

To all Americans who want to see a large peace vote in November, we say: *Don't be satisfied with just your own vote; YOU can help reach 10, 20, 100 potential Communist voters by sending us a contribution today—now!*

**Forward to a Large Communist Vote!**  
**Forward to Continued Defense of the Bill of Rights!**  
**Forward to Completion of the Fund Drive!**

Signed: WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, Chairman

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### Who Are the Perjurers?

• Standing out against a background of medieval court terror is the courage of the workers in Pittsburgh, who exercised their constitutional right to sign the Communist Party nominating petitions.

For example, Vencil Svoboda, a railroad laborer, defied the storming threats of the Judge to state that his false testimony before the Grand Jury was the result of terror by the Dies Committee and state officials, working hand in glove. Although the court threatened him with a perjury prosecution, Svoboda stuck to the truth, which was that he knew what he was doing when he signed the Communist nominating petition.

In the testimony of this railroad worker, another decisive blow has been dealt to the baseless charge of "fraud" with which the Pennsylvania courts are conducting a mass trial of political persecution unprecedented in the country. Such fraud as there is plainly rests upon the shoulders of the state officials who have sought to intimidate American citizens into false testimony. The warmongers and witch-burners, deriving their orders from the Roosevelt Administration, do not stop even at perverting processes of the courts in order to wipe out free elections.

But this spirit of a worker, so characteristic of the American people, is winning in state after state. Just two days ago the Communist Party was certified to the ballot in Washington State and in New Jersey. It shows that the people are determined to hear the peace message of the Communist Party and to choose their own candidates.

The people should raise their voice against the Hitler-like trial taking place in Pennsylvania and should answer these attacks upon free elections with a record-breaking vote for Earl Browder and James W. Ford.

### A Record Breaker—Its Meaning for Peace

• An inside view of the real issues in the Presidential election campaign is given by some newspaper items which appeared separately yesterday, but which have a strong inner connection.

Registration for the Presidential elections in November reached an all-time high in New York City, officials announced. Even the huge registration of 1936 was surpassed. In view of the fact that such political reporters as Mr. David Lawrence of the New York Sun commented the other day (October 14) that "Millions don't seem to care about the elections." The record registration is a startling and significant development. It tells us something about the state of mind of the American people.

The record-breaking registration can mean only one thing—that the American people are profoundly disturbed by what is happening, that they want to speak their minds on the crucial issue of war and peace. They want to affirm their part in the country's political life. On some issues, they may be confused, deceived or misled; but one thing the people are not—they are not indifferent or passive. And they are resolutely determined to stay out of the war!

The desire to stay out of the war—this is the dynamo behind the record-breaking registration for November.

And yet in this situation, the peace-loving American people, wary of the war-breeding propaganda which fooled them once before in 1917, are confronted by two Wall Street candidates, a Roosevelt Tweedledee and a Willkie Tweedledee, united behind a common war program. This is the central fact of the Democratic and Republican Party campaign—that they are publicly united on every single major issue which is leading the United States down the path to war.

So enormous is this peace sentiment of the American people that certain wily Republican Party politicians are cunningly aware that Willkie could sweep the elections to victory if he seizes on the anti-war feeling of America and falsely makes this his own. This technique for deceit is hinted at in the following report on Ohio's political chances in November:

"One of Ohio's most successful Republican leaders was asked what Willkie could say that would make the most votes for him in this state.

"'Oppose the draft,' was the answer. 'The politicians are aware that an

anti-war feeling now centered in draft, may express itself in a protest vote against the Administration. . . . Republicans figure that the anti-war sentiment, not only in Ohio but in other midwestern states may swing the balance to Willkie especially since he has hammered hard at Roosevelt lately for his warlike gestures and words." (World-Telegram, Oct. 16).

Such is the cynical little game of the Roosevelt and Willkie candidacies. Willkie approves every step which the administration takes us toward war—but he may play around with the anti-war feelings to win—then he will proceed to do exactly what Roosevelt is doing as far as getting into war is concerned. This is well understood between them. This is what makes it the "most peculiar election" of which the Communist candidate, Earl Browder, has spoken.

Browder remains the only truly peace candidate in the election.

He alone speaks openly what is in the hearts of the American people. The others have made their agreement with Wall Street and the munitions makers.

A vote for Browder is the only way to vote for peace, for keeping America out of the war.

### Hillman Smoked Out

• Sidney Hillman has been smoked out. His sabotage of labor's demand that the Administration stop giving war contracts to violators of the Labor Act, stands forth naked for all to see.

The revelation came in that disgusting scene before the House committee where Hillman and Attorney General Robert Jackson groveled before the big industrialists and their cronies in the War and Navy Departments.

How the workers feel about Hillman now is seen in the resolution unanimously adopted by an enlarged meeting of delegates, officers and stewards of locals, called by the Cleveland Industrial Union Council, stating:

"Mr. Sidney Hillman, who is supposed to represent organized labor on the National Defense Commission, flatly refused in his testimony before the Smith Committee to defend the rights of labor."

This is plain talk. Undoubtedly much more of it will be heard from both CIO and AFL affiliates as the full meaning of Hillman's betrayal strikes home.

### British Cruelty in India and Ireland

• Around both India and Ireland, British censorship has erected a prison wall through which very little news gets to the outside world.

Particularly is this suppression of information cruel and rigid in regard to that huge domain through which George VI is vested with the title of "Emperor."

But light is breaking through the prison wall. From India we learn that the British Viceroy of that land has just refused point blank the demand of the India National Congress for the rights of free speech. Also, we know that the movement against British imperialist rule refuses to die down, despite all the efforts to allay it. New moves against the British dictatorship are being taken by the National Congress, moves that may develop into a great crusade.

Such are the barest facts which the British censor permits the world to read. They undoubtedly reveal a seething India beneath the heel of British oppression. They mock at the claim of the Churchill government that it is engaged in "a war for democracy and civilization."

Coupled with this information is the news this week of the intense persecution of the Irish people. So oppressive has this whip-lash over the Irish become in Ulster that even such an enemy of Irish independence as Sir Herbert Gough has protested to Churchill against it. Gough, be it remembered, is the man who joined in the 1914 conspiracy to keep Ulster by force from becoming a part of a united Ireland.

The protest by this bitter foe of the Irish people admits that the so-called "Home Guard" in Ulster has "incurred the odium attaching to a political police force on the Continent of Europe." In other words, its terroristic methods match those of the Hitlerite Gestapo.

Gough is solely concerned in salving the Irish wounds to the extent that they will not present a serious problem for British imperialism. His admissions throw a flood-light on the brutalities of the British regime in the Emerald Isle, which serve to substantiate the charges by the Irish-American press of incarceration of young men in rat-infested prison ships, of murders and beatings.

British imperialist rule—no matter what a cloak of sanctity it may try to throw around itself—has amply demonstrated that it can match Nazi ferocity in every detail, and even give it a few lessons in sheer cruelty over the centuries.

### Knocking 'Em for a Loop

by Ellis



### French Loss of Fleet Gain for Italy in Mediterranean, Says Soviet Naval Organ

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Oct. 16.—The annihilation of the French fleet rids Italy of its most important opponent in the Mediterranean, Krasny Plot (Red Navy) official organ of the Soviet Navy says in an article analyzing the circumstances of the maritime defeat of France.

"The fate of the French fleet justly represents one of the most interesting pages in the history of modern naval warfare," writes the paper.

"The destiny of the French vessels is all the more interesting since the struggle for their possession formed a separate stage of military operations in the Mediterranean," it continues.

"and determined, to a certain extent, the correlation of the forces of the belligerent fleets in this theatre.

"As a result of British operations against the French fleet in July, four French battleships were sunk or seriously damaged, three passed into British control, only one remaining under the French flag in Toulon.

"Of 19 cruisers, six were captured by the British, five or six destroyed and only seven or eight remained in Toulon in French hands. The British destroyed the aircraft carrier Bearn at Martinique in the West Indies.

"Thus was the question of the fate of the French fleet decided.

"The role of the Italian fleet in this connection is not devoid of interest. The Italian naval command did nothing to render assistance to its vanquished opponent or preserve the fleet.

"Evidently here also the impartial contradictions between France and Italy were of decisive significance. These contradictions find their basis in long years of struggle and rivalry in the African colonies. From this viewpoint the annihilation of the French fleet rids Italy of its most important opponent in the Mediterranean."

### Thousands of Deputies to Be Elected In Districts Liberated by USSR

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Oct. 16.—The approaching elections in the new districts of the Soviet Union have given occasion to survey the changes which socialism has brought to them, and, as Pravda said in an article yesterday, these elections "will once again demonstrate the might and strength" of the U.S.S.R.

The campaign for election of deputies to the local Soviets of Deputies of the Working People has begun in the western regions of the Ukraine and White Russia and in the Karelo-Finnish Soviet Socialist Republic. These elections constitute a most important political event. Many scores of thousands of new deputies are to be elected. Some 80,000 deputies are to be elected to local Soviets in the western part of the Ukraine alone.

Concerning these elections, Pravda writes, in part:

"The forthcoming elections will in fact complete the reorganization of the state organs in the new districts of the Soviet Union, in conformity with the Stalinist constitution.

"In all, thirteen months have elapsed since Red Army units liberated the population of the Western Ukraine and Western White Russia from the yoke of the Polish gentry. A still lesser period of time separates us from the date of the formation of the Karelo-Finnish SSR.

"But what striking changes have already taken place in these parts! The peasants of the western regions of the Ukraine and White Russia have received about 1.5 million hectares (about 3.7 million acres) of arable land. Tractors, combines and other complex machinery appeared on their fields. Collective farms, organized on the initiative of the peasants themselves, have gathered an abundant harvest already this year. Hundreds of thousands of workers, employees and intellectuals, formerly in the grip of unemployment, have received work according to their trade.

"Thousands of new schools, clubs, houses of culture, hospitals, and dispensaries have appeared in the cities and villages. National theaters and newspapers published in the native tongue are to be found everywhere.

"Many thousands of people have been drawn into state activity in the new districts in the months

that have elapsed. The Soviet state spends thousands of millions to facilitate the development of the national economy of these regions. Precisely this aid explains how in the western regions of the Ukraine, for example, about a thousand formerly idle enterprises have been restored in a brief time.

"When abandoning the territory of what is now the new districts of the Karelo-Finnish SSR, the Finnish whiteguards set fire to and destroyed plants, factories, cities and settlements. During the past half-year, big enterprises equipped with modern technique have been built on the ruins and debris. Production has started at the cellulose and paper mills in Enso and Johannes, which the mills at Kakisalmi, Pitkanen and Harju are to be started soon. Production at full capacity is proceeding at the restored veneer and furniture factories, brickyards and plants.

"Uninterrupted communication was maintained on the Petrozavodsk-Sortavala, Leningrad-Vilpuri, and Leningrad-Sortavala railways. The working people of the new districts of the U. S. R. S. received visual proof of the benefits of Soviet power.

"The decision on elections was met with great joy by the population of the western part of the Ukraine and White Russia and the working people of the Karelo-Finnish Republic. Mass meetings were held in Lvon, Byelostok, Petrozavodsk, Drogobych, Vilpuri, Rovno and many other places. This political activity of the broad masses is a guarantee that the people will elect worthy deputies to the local Soviets.

"These elections will once again demonstrate the might and strength of the U.S.S.R., the victories of the Leninist-Stalinist national policy which insures fraternal friendship among all the peoples who live and work under the banner of the Stalinist constitution."



### Death on Jobs—Workers' Letters Tell the Story

Thousands of workers are killed, maimed or hurt annually in industries all over the country.

Despite this loss of life, very few people know about it. The capitalist press rarely mentions such fatalities. These incidents are "unimportant" to them.

How many thousands of workers in other industries face the threat of death daily because their employers refuse to install adequate safety devices for the protection of life and limb?

We would like to hear from such workers, and print their letters in the columns which the Daily Worker devotes every Monday to WORKERS CORRESPONDENCE.

There are scores of other subjects on which you can write in these letters: wage and hour conditions, union activities and so on.

Write a letter today for this Monday's Workers Correspondence page. Send all letters to the Workers Correspondence Dept., Daily Worker, 35 East 12th St.

## Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

[News Item—Governor Lehman sets up special Secret Service to probe "subversive" activities—special agents to be known only to the governor himself.]

### SECRET AGENT HPO

OR

### THE GOVERNOR'S DILEMMA

It was on a Tuesday morning that the Governor summoned Agent HPO. "Now look here, HPO," he said with a trace of impatience in his voice. (The agent had completed his disguise by calling himself HPO since that was the one fluid with which no one would think of associating him. As to his real name, only the Governor had known that and he had immediately filed it with his previous campaign pledges as the best way to make sure that he too would forget it.)

"Now look here, HPO," he repeated. "It's two weeks since we started this special secret service and we have nothing to show. Meanwhile the peace menace is becoming more dangerous every day. If it keeps on gaining strength, first thing we know, we'll all be waking up some morning to find ourselves completely out of the war. Now we have to get at the bottom of the activities of these subversive agents who work for peace while innocent bankers sleep. But we need clues—substantial ones—something we can put our teeth into."

HPO left the State House with a look of determination in his eyes. But to make sure that the look should not betray his identity, he kept his eyes tightly closed as he walked down the steps. The next day HPO was back in the Governor's presence.

"Chief," he said excitedly, "this time I've got it. It's a hot tip and it looks like the real thing." With that he opened his wallet and took out a strip of paper on which someone had printed in large letters the words: "LOOK IN HIGH PLACES."

"Where did you get this?" the Governor asked, trying to suppress his own excitement.

"Found it in a bottle—floating down the bar at Dinty's. It's the best clue we've come across yet."

"What do you make of it?" asked the Governor, who was a little slow.

"What do I make of it? Why it's as clear as daylight. It means that the Reds have planted their man in HIGH PLACES and are only waiting for THE DAY."

The Governor's eyes opened wide. "In high places," he repeated and immediately drew the blinds and looked the door. "This is tremendous, HPO," he said. "It's tremendous and dangerous and calls for quick action since we don't know just where the Reds have planted their man. We've got to find this snake," he added grimly, "and when we do—"

And he reached for a sheet of paper and wrote out a resignation, leaving only the date and the signature blank. "Here it is all ready for him when we locate our man. We'll make him resign with a fanfare of notoriety. We'll make a public holiday of it. We'll close the schools (unless our economy budget has shut them all down in the meantime) and hold up the villain as a horrible example to the entire population. Now for some action, HPO!"

The next day, Thursday, there was no word from HPO. Friday there was again no word. The Governor was becoming uneasy. Saturday morning, with a sinking feeling, he even thought of tearing up the resignation. At that moment, in burst HPO.

"Chief," he shouted, "I've almost got it!"

"Almost?" repeated the Governor in a tone that dangled midway between hope and despair.

"Cheer up," said HPO. "We practically have our man signing that resignation right now. We know everything—everything except one small detail."

"What is that?"

"His name."

"But what do we know," asked the Governor as a feeling of discouragement welled up again.

"We know that he holds a high place in the state government."

The Governor's eyes lighted up. "Good," he said breathlessly. "What else?"

"We know that he was not appointed, but was elected to office."

"Good!" Then a trace of the old doubt returned to his eyes. "Elected by the Reds?"

"Absolutely."

"And when did it happen?"

"Two years ago—1938. The Reds threw their support to this man and enabled him to beat his rival by 64,394 votes."

"Oh," said the Governor in a very, very flat tone of voice as he gazed straight at the resignation on his desk. "That—must—have—been—me!"

And, in sooth, dear reader, it was none other than the Governor himself. As you recall, that was in the New Deal period when the Governor was still posing as a liberal. The Communists, who polled 108,681 votes in the state, ran no candidate of their own for Governor, but threw enough votes to Governor Lehman to defeat his Republican rival, Thomas E. Dewey.

So here we have the Governor. We have HPO's startling disclosure. And we have the resignation lying on the Governor's desk all ready for the signature of the person who turns out to be the Governor himself. What does the Governor do in this ticklish dilemma? We leave the solution to our readers, whose written suggestions we will be pleased to publish.

On second thought, perhaps all solutions to the Governor's Dilemma should be accompanied by one dollar for the Daily Worker Fund just to make them properly legal. Today's contribution, credited to Point of Order.

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## Letters From Readers

Wants 'In Place of Splendor'  
For Next Serial

Cincinnati, Ohio.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I read the suggestion of the Brooklyn reader that you print "In Place of Splendor" by Constanca de la Mora, as your next serial. We second the motion and think it is just about the finest book we ever read. Hubby says it is the only autobiography he ever enjoyed. And to think that it is not a translation but written in her own English! She is one of the marvelous characters of history and I am recommending her book to everyone. All who have read it have been thrilled and delighted.

I read that Constanca is safe in Mexico and I hope her husband is with her in safety. Splendid characters both. Do hope you will find your way clear to print this marvelous book for it will be indeed an inspiration to many.

MR. AND MRS. W. B. L.



## CHANGE THE WORLD



The Drive on Aliens:  
A Fascist Measure to  
Divide American People  
By MIKE GOLD

IT IS not the best, but the worst elements in American history that have persecuted the aliens. Baiting the alien, making him the scapegoat for all our social and economic ills, was ever a favorite plank in the platform of our most savage and ignorant reactionaries, from the time of Jefferson down to the present.

That aliens are now finger-printed like criminals, and that some 70 laws are pending in Congress, to punish aliens to the point of concentration camps, is a pretty clear index as to how much democracy this "war to save democracy" may bring America.

Abraham Lincoln once gave an answer to the alien-baiters that could be written on a post-card, and sent to our reactionary Congressmen and other statesmen who would have us believe that the way to fight Hitlerism abroad is by setting up an American fascism.

It was in the years before the Civil War. A semi-secret political movement, called the Know-Nothings, from their custom of answering, "I Know Nothing," when asked about their affiliations, was spreading through the Middle West and other regions. It had some of the characteristics of the modern Ku Klux Klan and shirt-organizations. In a letter written in 1855, Lincoln said to a friend:

"I am not a Know Nothing... that is certain. How can anyone who abhors the oppression of Negroes, be in favor of degrading classes of white people? Our progress in degeneracy seems to me pretty rapid."

"As a nation we began by declaring that 'all men are created equal.' We now practically read, 'all men are created equal, except Negroes.' When the Know Nothings get control, it will read, 'all men are created equal, except Negroes, and foreigners, and Catholics.'"

"When it comes to this, I shall prefer emigrating to some country where they make no pretense of loving liberty—Czarist Russia, for instance, where despotism can be taken pure, and without the base alloy of hypocrisy."

The claim is made that the alien population of America is a disguised Fifth Column which will betray us, and must therefore be kept under the most severe police control in advance.

But the Fifth Column in America would constitute no menace if it were confined to aliens, to fascist Italians and Nazi Germans and Russian White Guards. These can be spotted easily. They have some influence on industrialists like Ford and statesmen like Senator Reynolds and Ambassador Bullitt. But they cannot create a native mass movement of fascism, which is the real danger.

Yet such a mass movement is already in being, with a membership running into millions. It is made up of native American elements, organized in hundreds of semi-secret mobs like the Ku Klux Klan, the Silver Shirts, the Vindicators, the Christian Mobilizers, the Knights of the Camella, and the Catholic Action groups centered around fascist priests like Coughlin and Curran.

These native fascist groups are leaders in the persecution. It is one of the chief planks in their programs. The filthy demagogues who lead the dumb and bitter dupes of native fascism have thrown the alien to them as a scapegoat for the economic crimes of capitalism, the alien along with the Jews, the liberals, the Communists and the trade unions. Senator Reynolds, chief fascist Fifth Columnist in Congress, leader of his own private gang of Fifth Columnists, the shirt organization called the Vindicators, was one of the most vigorous supporters, not only of the conspiracy bill, but is also leader of the anti-alien fight in Congress. Which indicates what is really behind these bills—they are not meant to hurt fascism in America, but to help it.

It is significant that the fascists among the aliens know how to carry on their work despite the persecutions. The recent joint meeting of the Ku Klux Klan and the German-American Bund is a sample of the new strategy. The Bund will merge into the native fascism, but the democratic-minded aliens who hate Bundists and fascists generally, will be left outside to take the full brunt of the persecutions.

They will receive little protection from the liberals any longer, since many of these have been affected by the delirium of war, and in this foggy state, are no match for the cool and murderous cunning of the Hitler tactic for splitting American unity.

Hitler has not yet won a war on the battlefield. His victories have always been won in advance, by diplomacy and demoralization of the enemy.

France, of course, has become the classic example of his non-military triumphs. Hitler's agents in France followed exactly the program they have now started in the United States—they outlawed the Communists, smashed the trade unions, spread the lure of an appeasement peace, and persecuted the foreigners.

The old Know-Nothing sentiment against aliens in America is being fanned by the Nazi-minded American reactionaries. There are less than three million non-naturalized foreigners in America. In actual numbers, they count for little in a total population of 130 million. But what their persecution achieves that is valuable for them is the state of terror among all foreign-born citizens. This is the true reason why the Ku Kluxers, plus the Bundists, plus the Senator Reynoldses, put so much energy into these anti-alien persecutions.

One shudders at the cold death Hitler has devised for Jews. He permits them to live, but he does not permit them to work and eat. We are doing the same lingering murder of aliens. Since immigration ceased, some years ago, the immigrants are a middle-aged group in the main, who have been working here for twenty to thirty years, and have families. But now they are dropped from their jobs, and every Hitlerian form of economic persecution is used against them.

The WPA has barred all aliens from employment, even though they have taken out their first papers. Some 30,000 were dropped in 1939, when this provision went into effect. The present old-age pension system of most States denies benefits to aliens. Twenty-eight States require full citizenship before a refugee doctor can receive his license, though it is difficult to see how America, which needs doctors, is helped.

Other professions, dentists, engineers, optometrists, accountants, pharmacists, etc., are similarly based on citizenship in many States.

But drivers, veterinarians, undertakers, peddlers, auctioneers, pool room operators, barbers and liquor dealers must be citizens in various States, and the list is growing to include salesmen, real estate brokers, bankers, insurance agents, pawnbrokers, plumbers, and mine foremen.

A Seattle, Washington, ordinance, providing that only citizens could collect garbage, was upheld in a court test!

In many States aliens are not allowed to own land. In Pennsylvania an alien may not kill game. In Oregon he may not engage in commercial fishing.

What the States are now doing by law, private business has to a great extent been doing all along, joined by reactionary A. F. of L. unions. The cause was the depression; but the fools who found a scapegoat and solution in the alien, must know by now that keeping him out of jobs has certainly not created more jobs.

It is estimated today that eight to nine out of every ten jobs are closed to aliens in this country. An investigator in a recent Harper's magazine, charged that, "Musicians, electricians, carpenters and bricklayers are among those who require citizenship for membership in their unions. The American Federation of Labor has in many cases pursued this policy further by having unwritten agreements with employers not to employ aliens." Page the Russian born A. F. of L. demagogue, David Dubinsk.

Fuge Adolph Hitler. His affairs are going well in the United States. Aided by native morons, dupes, lynchers and patriots of hate, the fascists are having great success in dividing the nation into two great camps, smoldering with distrust for one another. This drive on aliens is a drive on the American people; and if the liberals fail to see it, they are only being as stupid as their brothers were in France.

## Benny Goodman Soloist with Philharmonic

Benny Goodman has been engaged as soloist with the Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra under John Barbirolli for the concert of Thursday evening and Friday afternoon, December 12 and 13. He will play the Mozart Concerto in A-major and the Debussy Rhapsody. Although the "King of Swing" is by no means unknown in serious musical circles, this will be his first appearance with a major symphony orchestra.

Rated by many critics as one of the world's great clarinetists, Benny Goodman has made two previous appearances at Carnegie Hall. The first was on January 8, 1938, when he brought swing to New York's shrine of symphonic music, the second on January 9, 1939, when with Joseph Szigeti he introduced Bela Bartok's Rhapsody for Violin and Clarinet, a work which they later recorded and which is soon to be released. He has also played the Mozart Quintet with the Budapest String Quartet both at Mills College in Oakland, California, and at Town Hall and has made recordings with the quartet. His only orchestral appearance has been with the Buffalo Philharmonic in November, 1939, when he played the Mozart Concerto. He has never before played the Debussy Rhapsody in public.

John Barbirolli conducts the first ten weeks of the Philharmonic Symphony season, two of them on four. Dmitri Mitropoulos follows, his first concert on December 19. Soloists during Mr. Barbirolli's first period, including Benny Goodman, are:

October 24, 25 and 27: Vrnysky and Bab-n, duo-pianists; October 31 and November 1: Anatol Kaminsky, violinist; November 3: Eugene List, pianist; November 9 and 10: Gregor Platigorsky, cellist; November 14 and 15: Fritz Kreisler; November 16 and 17: Arturo Rubinstein, pianist; December 7 and 8: Gitta Gradowa, pianist; December 12 and 13: Benny Goodman, clarinetist; December 14: John Corigliano, violinist; December 15: Joseph Schuster, cellist.

## Film Notes

"Nobody's Children," a new drama recently completed by Columbia with Edith Fowles in the leading role will be ready for nationwide release today. The picture is based on the Coast to Coast radio program, "Nobody's Children," by Walter White Jr. who also appears in the screen play.

C. Aubrey Smith will play the role of Reverend Nelson in "Lady Hamilton," starring Vivien Leigh and Laurence Olivier. Norma Drury, widow of the director, Richard Boleslawski will play the role of the Queen of Naples.

George Brent will co star with Bette Davis in Warner Bros. "January Heights," which goes into production October 21. Edmund Gwending will direct. "January Heights" is from the novel by Polan Banks.

Jeffrey Lynn has been selected to play the romantic lead opposite Geraldine Fitzgerald in Warner Bros. "Trial and Error," screen version of the Anthony Berkeley novel.

Columbia Pictures will release a series of question-and-answer short subjects under the title "Columbia Quiz Reels." It was announced today. The first of the "Columbia Quiz Reels" which now is being produced under the title of "Take It or Leave It," is based on the popular Columbia Broadcasting System program of the same name.

Joseph Starobin Speaks On Foreign Affairs At Fordham Forum Tomorrow

Joseph Starobin will analyze the foreign situation tomorrow evening at the Fordham Forum, 2413 Grand Concourse, near Fordham Road, Bronx, New York. Starobin is a leading writer on foreign affairs for the New Masses and an instructor at the Workers School. The lecture will begin at 8:30.

## The Great Profile



John Barrymore's newest film "The Great Profile," opens today at the Palace. He will be heard over WPAF tonight with Rudy Vallee.



"London Bombed Again," by Alexander Dobkin is one of a group of paintings included in an exhibition by the young artist now on view at the ACA galleries.

## 'The Fight for Life' Is Vital Film of Birth in Slums

Pare Lorentz' vital documentary film, "The Fight for Life" which played last year at the 55th Street Playhouse and is now showing at the Bryant Theatre is the story of the life and death struggle of motherhood in the underprivileged masses of America.

The picture is a burning condemnation of the terrible slum housing conditions, the starvation, the lack of jobs, and the inadequate medical facilities with which millions of helpless American citizens must struggle.

The acting and dialogue, while not brilliant, are sufficient to make "The Fight for Life" a picture for everyone to see. That the film has already met with opposition in nationwide distribution is not surprising; it exposes too graphically the rotten social and economic structure of the "American system" as it is run today.

## Birth and Death

From a Chicago hospital—The Maternity Center—where a group of practical and progressively minded doctors train young interns to handle pregnancy cases, members of the Center range far and wide through the slum and steel section areas of this city to care for poor mothers giving birth to babies. The story is something of a repetition of various call trips on cases. Each case discloses information on the phases of death—tragedy, that stalks pregnant mothers: hemorrhage, infection, poor condition due to starvation, social and economic conditions that drain vitality.

As Will Geer, Morris Haynes and the other doctors move from case to case through Chicago's slums you see three and four story rotting buildings that bring gasps from the audience. Rows of tumbling-down-houses, alleys filled with rubbish and wandering cats, men and women picking over garbage, poor children scrambling about under the rumbling wheels of trucks. At one time Will Geer looks at the rotting slums of Chicago's steel mill sector, and says:

"They bring them here from the fields and the mountains to roll our steel—and they put them in these houses. Here are rotting teeth, tainted blood, starvation, stench. How can they keep alive in these places?"

## Senseless Starvation

Again as Geer looks up at towering food warehouses while at their truck entrances men and women are scrambling over garbage: "Millions of pounds of food stored in these warehouses. And in this city are children who have never had a decent meal."

"We tell them: drink orange juice, drink milk, all the babies. Get out in the sunshine for strong bodies. But where are these millions going to get all these things?"

A pattern of life and death, "The Fight for Life" discloses that 90 per cent of the babies born in the United States are brought into the world by doctors and assistants having five per cent of the training necessary. Thirty-five per cent of the American mothers who die in childbirth die from infection. Dudley Diggs, the head doctor, states that almost as many women die today in childbirth as died 25 years ago.

## Compelling Technique

The opening night audience sat in silence as the film unfolded before them. They gasped in unison as they saw flies crawling over sleeping babies; saw three and four naked babies sleeping in one bed; saw babies around a table eating at a bowl of mush.

The film direction is simple and the repetition hammers home its reason. Tremendous in effect is the slow dramatic pound-pound-pound of the music for the beating of a dying mother's heart. Even the dimming of antiseptic gloves becomes an event of startling drama. Bugs in a sink, paperless walls, rickety stairs. The appealing faces of hungry children. The tragic



WILL GEER

words of an old grandmother: "Things didn't use to be like this in my young days."

Pare Lorentz, producer of the United States Film Service films: "The River" and "The Plow that Broke the Plains" wrote, directed and produced "The Fight for Life." It is based on the book by Paul de Kruif. The excellent musical score is by Louis Gruenberg.

G. C.

## John Barrymore Guest of Rudy Vallee, WPAF at 10

John Barrymore guest on Rudy Vallee Program over WPAF at 10 tonight. Tommy Dorsey and his band begin new series of programs over WJZ at 8:30 tonight.

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WABO-Adventures in Science  
3:55-WQXR-News  
4:00-WOR-Trans-Radio News  
WQXR-Organ Recital from B'klyn Museum  
4:15-WQXR-Hour of Symphonic Music  
WNYC-Famous Music  
4:30-WQXR-Moreland Review  
WNYC-Song Recital  
5:00-WNYC-NYA Varieties  
WQXR-Children's Hour  
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5:15-WQXR-Malcolm Clair, Stories for Children  
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WNYC-Preventing Juvenile Delinquency  
WABO-Sports with Mel Allen  
WQXR-Music to Remember  
6:15-WJZ-Bill Stern's Sport Talk  
WABO-Outdoors with Bob Edge  
6:25-WPAF-WQXR-A.P. News  
WNYC-New York State Employment Service  
6:30-WOR-Trans-Radio News  
WJZ-Dance Music  
WQXR-Confidentially Yours  
WQXR-Dinner Concert  
6:35-WNYC-Final Riding Summary  
6:45-WQXR-Louis Arner  
WOR-Meet Mr. Morgan  
WABO-News  
WNYC-Dick Flinnell, Sports Resume  
7:00-WPAF-Pleasuretime with Fred Waring's Orchestra  
WOR-Rita Lomas, Sports Review  
WJZ-Easy Aces  
WQXR-The Golden Horseshoe  
7:15-WMCA-News  
WJZ-Mr. Keene, Tracer of Lost Persons  
WABO-Lannis Ross, Song Recital  
7:30-WJZ-Bob Crosby and his Dixie Land Band  
WABO-Vox Pop  
WNYC-Confidentially Yours  
WQXR-Treasury of Music  
7:45-WOR-The Inside of Sport, Sam Taylor, Commentator  
8:00-WPAF-Good News of 1939, with Fanny Brice, Harlowe Clifford, Merry Martin, Dick Penel, with Mervyn Wilson and T. Orch.  
WJZ-Part of Gold Program with Horace Heidt and H. Band  
WOR-Dance Music  
WQXR-Symphony Hall  
8:30-WPAF-Rita Stone in The Aldrich Family

## News, Views, Gossip From Filmland Capital

By Charles Glenn

HOLLYWOOD.—You're being told on the front pages of the commercial press that things are "like that" between Britain and Spain, that they'll never speak again, etc. Well, Washington circles and Hollywood circles are discussing the fact that British film moguls have been dealing with Spain to make pictures with assets frozen there. The deal has gone through and the pictures will be made in Spain for release there, and possibly in Britain.

More interesting, perhaps, is the fact that the frozen capital being used by Britain to make pictures in "enemy" Spain is the capital of American magnates. It totals something like five million pesetas. Its use in making films ties up, very directly, the money boys of the City, Wall Street and Madrid.

And, no doubt, they'll be asking British and American boys to go to Gibraltar and battle Franco for some sort of "glory," while the men who run it sit back and rake in the profits from that five million. Just a possibility.

## The Non-Partisan Slant

Distributors of the new reels, we understand, are now telling their clients to watch the cutting of said reels. It seems that some managers have been clipping all shots showing the candidate they do not favor. Thus, if the house manager happens to be a Republican, he clips all shots of Roosevelt, and vice versa.

The practice has led to some disturbing incidents here and there. Little things, like riots. If theatre managers don't pay attention to distributor requests, the Hays office will step in with another edict.

Miss Loretta Young, who is an excruciatingly sweet something-or-other on the screen, and her husband, Tom Lewis, who is one of those advertising men, have put their feet in it, as the saying goes. The other night they went to a swanky ball at New York's Monte Carlo. It was one of those champagne things, and it was for the purpose of giving financial aid to

## Rights of the People Changing Says Woody

It used to be this way, The Right of the People to Peaceably Assemble to petition the Government for a redress of grievances...

But are times changing, and will it come to this? (Which it already has):

To Fight the People if they try to get together to ask the Government to go by the Bill of Rights. WOODY.

Marshal Petain, head of the Nazi-French government.

This was a very silly move on the part of Miss Young and Mr. Lewis (Mr. Young) because a lot of people will henceforth class them as out-and-out Fascists and boycott Miss Young. This is, according to all reports, some more of that decadence which accompanied World War I.

So decadent is the cause that even the blue (if any) blood of Jack Whitney couldn't take it. And Charles Boyer, who tried to save French fascism and lost his battle to French-German fascism, refused to attend.

Would you contribute money, either directly or indirectly, to a cause which is Fascist (German, French, British or American)? We don't think so. Miss Young has a lot of chips. But she's busy supporting Petain. All the big advertisers in the country (some of whom give their accounts to Mr. Lewis) are also contributing to Petain or his American confederates.

## An Issue for History!

## SI GERSON

on "What Happened to La Guardia"

"The Truth Mr. Gedye Concealed"

By JOSHUA KUNITZ

"Dr. Butler Expelled Me Too"

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on "F. D. R.—The Champ Himself"

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# On The Score Board

Muscling In On  
Page 7  
And Dave Platt

By LESTER RODNEY

You'll pardon a few paragraphs that have nothing whatsoever to do with sports today. You see, I was privileged to see the press preview of "The Great Dictator" the other night with film critic Dave Platt. Dave had a sports article on page 7 Monday and that gives me extradition rights for a quick blurb on the movie.

Dave has already very eloquently told you of the magnificent thing Chaplin has done in this film—shocked the 1940 crop of new "anti-Nazis" by not only refusing to wave the flag jingoistically for war and British imperialism, but by lashing out magnificently and eloquently at all oppression and the monopoly greed responsible for the Hitler. During the intermission Dave and I had a smoke on the mezzanine landing and here is the verbatim conversation we heard between two young ladies.

"Well, what do you think?"

"This is something new, isn't it. I never saw a picture before that showed the reasons for anti-Semitism, to distract the mind of hungry people. And he doesn't beat around the bush does he. He calls the Jews the Jews."

Talk about all this and heaven too. You have all this woven into the most brilliantly funny satire the screen has ever seen. Pure comedy genius that had the audience roaring the way an audience seldom does.

Nobody knew exactly what that last speech would be like. The speech where the little Jewish barber, mistaken for Hitler, takes the microphone as millions listen. But the premiere audience must have been expecting a "Foreign Correspondent" sort of ending, a waving of the Union Jack and Star Spangled banner and a hysterical call to tanks, guns and planes. That's what Hollywood has been dishing out under the guise of "anti-Nazism." That's why a lot of them left the Astor a little dazed. Halfway through that beautiful and unanswerable appeal for peace and the human dignity that transcends narrow national boundary lines (how I wish I could take shorthand!) Platt was gripping my arm excitedly and I was gripping his. Hitler would throw a fit at that speech true, but so would all the British overlords of millions of enslaved colonial, so would all the little and big Hitler and militarists in the United States, and so, as Platt prophesied on the way out, did most of our newspaper reviews.

The Great Dictator was a REAL anti-Nazi picture at last. That's what I was thinking. You don't have to teach a real anti-Nazi how to hate the Nazis, for they've been hating him long before Knudsen and Morgan decided it would be profitable—but this speech was anti-militarism and anti-imperialism at the same time. It didn't like oppression of human beings under whatever name it parades. It even spoke of the greed responsible for the bloodshed and Hitler.

Oh, man! The reviews. The "anti-Nazi" News must have been in a 48-hour editorial lull over this anti-Nazi film, for the first edition yesterday didn't have a review. And its late edition finally came through with a blast against the "Communist propaganda." Chaplin "says a frightening finger at the audience" says the News, and says we must fight and fight—for what? Horrors! For peace! Why this is propaganda!

The other reviews—great picture, but... Why didn't Charlie just walk down the road with Paulette in his usual fadeout at the end, moans the Mirror. Propaganda has no place in pictures. Great comedian, stick to comedy, says P.M. And so in various ways, the Herald, the Times, the Sun, the Telegram.

Peace, it's terrible! Right before the draft too. Oh, they have to admit Chaplin is superb, though grudgingly. He's too much of an artist to dare to say otherwise. But that speech! PROPAGANDA!

Just one little question before I surrender the extradition rights and go back to sports, where I belong and probably should have stayed. If an appeal to humanity, peace, brotherhood and reason is "propaganda" and hence doesn't belong in the movies, what would you call the frantic call to war, nationalism and darkness that these same critics loved so much in such things as "Foreign Correspondent," "Pastor Hall" and the "Ramparts We Watch." What makes propaganda anyhow in the movies? A lack of war propaganda?

Or maybe I'm off my beat and just don't understand. Don't miss this picture. If you haven't got the Capitol and Astor prices take up a collection once a week and send the family one at a time. The people are going to like that speech fine. That's what the warmongers know and don't like.

## WHAT'S ON

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# SPORTS

NEW YORK, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1940

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## McFadden of Dodgers Is Top Rookie

Leads Pro Grid League in Ground Gaining to Date

Banks McFadden, the long-legged, hard-running halfback from Clemson College, is off to a running start toward capturing the prize as the National Football League's outstanding rookie of the 1940 season.

McFadden, drafted by the Brooklyn Dodgers and finally persuaded to sign a contract after Dan Topping sweetened the kitty a couple of times, leads the league in ground-gaining, according to the official figures announced today. He has gained 229 yards in 46 attempts for an average of 5.1 yards per carry.

Only four other players in the league have a better average than McFadden and none of them has carried the ball as often as the Dodgers' rookie. Lloyd Madden, Chicago Cardinals, has a 5.5 average but he's gained only 102 yards in 12 attempts. George McAfee, Chicago Bears' rookie, has gained 109 yards in 16 attempts for a 6.8 average. Hugh McCullough, Chicago Cardinals, is third with a 6-yard average per try and Dick Todd, Washington Redskins, is fourth with a 4.9 average.

McFadden's two closest rivals in total yardage gained over the ground are Tuffy Leemans, New York Giants, and Whizzer White, Detroit Lions. Leemans, who led the league in ground gained as a rookie in 1936, has gained 211 yards in 67 attempts for a 3.1 average. White, who was the league's No. 1 ground gainer two years ago as a freshman with the Pirates, has reeled off 204 yards in 67 attempts for a 3-yard average.

Slingin' Sammy Baugh, Washington Redskins' passing wizard, is traveling at a record-breaking pace in three departments of forward passing. The former Texas Christian star has completed 40 out of 57 attempted passes for a total of 556 yards, a phenomenal efficiency mark of 79 per cent.

In four games Baugh has an average of 10 completions for 139 yards a game, which is one completion and 19 yards ahead of the National League records set last season by Parker Hall, Cleveland Rams, and Davey O'Brien, Philadelphia Eagles. Baugh's efficiency mark is 9 per cent better than the league standard established by Frank Filchock, Redskins, last season.

## Rams Bolster Staff

The Cleveland Rams, wallowing in the throes of a heavy slump in the National Football League have acquired two new men in an effort to bolster their faltering forces. The additions are Jim Gillette, formerly of the University of Virginia, and Glen Olsen from Iowa. Both boys are backfield replacements slated to see action shortly.

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## THE WILDCATS SHARPEN THEIR CLAWS



This is one of the methods Northwestern University footballers use to keep in shape. The slim fellow in the sweatshirt (left foreground) is Coach Lynn Waldorf leading his boys in calisthenics to toughen them up for their game with Wisconsin Saturday.

## FISTIC ROW!

### Pat Comiskey No Ball of Fire In Comeback; Friedkin Out

Henry Armstrong Will Undergo Second Operation on Eyes Next Week Before Meeting Fritz Zivic in Return Go for Welter Title

Handsome Pat Comiskey didn't obliterate his unfortunate debacle at the hands of Max Baer with his ten-round decision victory over tired, shopworn Henry Cooper at the Coliseum Tuesday night.

True, the New Jersey Irish boy displayed his usual boxing skill with a liberal sprinkling of darting left jabs but the obvious lack of a knockout punch doesn't presage another rapid rise to the big time.

Any number of times Comiskey threw a right overhand that connected flush on the point of Brownsville Henry's jaw but the rugged old-timer shook them off and came in for more. Working from a crouch, Cooper concentrated on defense, hardly throwing a punch. Comiskey got by his guard often enough to open his left eye and draw blood from his nose and took every round but the fifth.

Everett Rightmire threw a wrench into Bernie Friedkin's fistic plans by outpointing the Brooklyn lightweight in eight rounds at the Broadway Arena. Friedkin, once conqueror of Rightmire, had a tentative engagement with Petey Scalzo in Madison Square Garden for Nov. 1. His loss makes the bout questionable.

Tony Ferrara, New York 146-pounder, outpointed Kid McCoy, 145½, Detroit, in a hard fought, close battle at the White Plains arena.

In another week, Henry Armstrong, once possessor of three world's championship and now holder of none, will undergo a second operation for the removal of superfluous skin from over his left eye. He went under the knife Monday for the same treatment over his right eye. When healed Henry plans to get in shape for a return bout with Fritz Zivic, the Pittsburgher who lifted his welterweight title a couple of weeks ago and which was directly responsible for the little Negro's decision to have the scar tissue removed without further delay.—A. S.

Think you can out-expert the experts? Send in your ideas on next week's football games.

## Another Reader Picks 'Em

Murray Fromm picks Saturday's winners as follows. What do you think?

Fordham over Pitt; Columbia over Georgia; N.Y.U. to tie Holy Cross; Manhattan over Detroit; Dartmouth over Yale; Penn over Princeton; Cornell over Syracuse; Harvard over Army; Duke over Colgate; Navy over Drake; Michigan State over Temple; Nebraska over Kansas; Michigan over Illinois; Ohio State over Minnesota; Northwestern over Wisconsin; Notre Dame over Carnegie Tech; Texas over Arkansas; Texas A & M over TCU; North Carolina over North Carolina State; Tulane over Rice; Vanderbilt over Georgia Tech; Southern Methodist over Auburn; Tennessee over Alabama; UCLA to tie California; USC over Oregon; Stanford over Washington State; Washington over Oregon State.

Slippery-Rock Teachers over... Whoever they're playing.

## Pitt Studies Defense

Pittsburgh's fast developing Panthers are doing less scrimmaging these days and more practice at pass defense before taking on the Fordham Rams in the Smoky City Saturday. The Panthers are expected to take the New York outfit to task to the air rather than try too many power plays against their strong line.

## Last of the Gashouse Gang Leaves Cards

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 16 (UP).—The last of the famous Gas House Gang left the ranks of the St. Louis Cardinals today when John (Pepper) Martin, the aging but still "Wild Horse of the Orage," signed a one-year contract to manage the Sacramento Solons of the Pacific Coast League.

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## Little Not a Little Worried Over Georgia

Fast and Talented Southern Backs to Put Under-  
feated Lions to Severest Test Saturday—  
Germann Still Out

By Al Stillman

A headache answering to the name of Allen has made Coach Lou Little of Columbia pass conscious. Heyward Allen is a Georgia back who passed to two touchdowns against a loaded Mississippi squad last week and he is scheduled to make an appearance along with the rest of the Crackers at Baker Bowl Saturday.

To offset the aerial work of Allen, and a couple of other leather tossers in Frank Sinkwich and Jim Todd, Little plans to take to the air more often than he has in the past with the idea that the best defense is a good offense.

Columbia is going to miss the services of Justin McIntyre, running guard, and Ken Germann, sophomore kicking expert, due to injuries but the absence of Germann especially is liable to show in the final score. Paul Gervall, who can run, kick and pass, will fill in at the tailback position with the rest of the starting backfield remaining the same as against Dartmouth last Saturday. It now consists of Thornley Wood, Paul Gervall, Len Will and Augy DeAugustinis.

Georgia has a heavy yet shifty line, and a couple of exceptional ends in Poeschner and Captain Skipworth. A couple of other boys needing watching are Green, a 215-pound tackle and Hughes, a center. Lou Little expects his Lions to come through unscathed, but high hopes and optimism don't win games. The bespectacled mentor is a little worried over the fact that Georgia lost to Mississippi and they enter Baker Bowl with the mark of defeat stamped on them. A team taught on the rebound is hard to hold, Little insists, and if for only that reason his boys will have a fight on their hands.

## Giants to Sell Farms

The New York Baseball Giants farm teams are for sale, it was announced yesterday, but to date no buyer has appeared. Teams sale are Jersey City; Fort Smith, Ark.; Clinton, Iowa, and New Milford, Delaware. The reason for trying to sell the farms is that they have produced no player of major league caliber as yet, and the Giant front office thinks they are a bad investment. The asking price is the amount invested into these clubs by the parent organization.

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## Athletes Sign Registration For Draft

All Sports to Be Hit By Draft—Louis Reads of F.D.R. on Jim-Crow

Most of the country's athletes registered for the draft yesterday. Every sport and practically every top flight athlete signed up for the possibility of military service. Bob Feller, ace young pitcher of the Cleveland team, registered in Cleveland. At Fremont, Ohio, Paul Derringer, 24 and single, registered. Here in New York the entire New York Giant pro football team registered. Tommy Harmon, greatest running back since Red Grange, registered at Ann Arbor, home of the University of Michigan. He was 21 in September. Ninety-eight per cent of all pro football players come within the 21-36 age limit.

Harry Armstrong registered for brother Henry, who was in the hospital after an operation to remove the scar tissue above his eyes. Joe Louis registered at Detroit. The champion said briefly that he had read about the F.D.R. proclamation on Jim Crow.

## Violets Drill For Holy Cross

N. Y. U.'s practice these days consist of proper defense measures against the Holy Cross attack which they will run into at Ohio Field Saturday.

Assistant Coach Leo Collins, who scouted Holy Cross, drilled the freshmen in their plays after which they took the field against the varsity.

The Violet backfield is supplying Coach Mal Stevens the headaches these days. Injuries are riding the tailbacks especially hard. Included among the list of injured are Joe La Manna, Henry Pell, Romy Finn, Bill Galux and Joe Frank.

## LITTLE LEFTY



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